

RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
River Vale, New Jersey 07675
REGULAR MEETING
ROBERGE ANNEX
APRIL 18, 2023
MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

Mrs. Pintarelli 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. Assor, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Berkowitz,
Mrs. Pintarelli, Mrs. Senande, Mr. White

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Rosini

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Signore, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
2 district teachers

FLAG SALUTE

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Pintarelli welcomed everyone back from Spring break. Mrs. Pintarelli thanked the teachers and students for a successful 7th grade trip and was happy to see most of our traditions have returned.

Mrs. Pintarelli thanked Mrs. Ippolito and staff as the 2023-2024 tentative budget had recently been approved by the County.

Mrs. Pintarelli reminded Board Members to RSVP to the PTA's Thank You Dinner on May 17th and to complete the Superintendent evaluation due by April 28th.

Mrs. Pintarelli later wished retirees, Mrs. DeMaria and Mr. Noone, all the best in their retirement and thanked them for their many dedicated years of service to the district.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON

- **Buildings & Grounds – Mrs. Berkowitz reported there was a Committee meeting earlier this evening and discussion was held regarding air conditioning. Mrs. Berkowitz reminded all that our systems are univents and do not work independently in each classroom, rather they require that the heat is shut down, the systems be flushed and then set to run throughout the buildings. To that end, Mr. Tracy has been testing and getting the systems ready to move over to air conditioning for the season. The Committee also discussed several policies and regulations and will be recommending some updates for review by the Board.**
- **Communications & Policies – None**
- **Curriculum & Technology – None**
- **Finance – None**
- **Negotiations – None**
- **Personnel – None**

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Committee
April 18, 2023	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
May 2, 2023	6:00 PM	Personnel
June 13, 2023	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
August 29, 2023	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
September 12, 2023	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
October 17, 2023	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
November 21, 2023	6:00 PM	Negotiations
December 19, 2023	6:00 PM	Finance
January 2, 2024	6:00 PM	Finance

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 7:09 P.M.

Public comments:
None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:09 P.M.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Signore provided a reminder about the various spring events and end-of-year activities that are coming up. All events are announced in the principal communications. Another way to stay abreast of happenings is via the District newsletter. She also spoke about academic events such as the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments.

BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Ms. Ippolito reminded Board Members regarding School Ethics correcting some submissions and that the School Musical will be held on May 4th and 5th and to RSVP to the Board Office if you plan to attend.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

**G1. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 March 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G2. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 March 14, 2023 Closed Session Meeting.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G3. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 adoption of the following new/revised River Vale Board of Education****

Policies and Regulations:

Policy/Reg # Policy/Regulation Title

- P0152 [Board Officers](#)
- P0161 [Call, Adjournment and Cancellation](#)
- P0162 [Notice of Board Meetings](#)
- P2423 [Bilingual and ESL Education](#)
- R2423 [Bilingual and ESL Education](#)
- P5200 [Attendance](#)
- R5200 [Attendance](#)
- P8110 [Attendance Areas](#)
- P8140 [Student Enrollments](#)
- R8140 [Enrollment Accounting](#)
- P8330 [Student Records](#)
- R8330 [Student Records](#)
- R8420.2 [Bomb Threats](#)
- R8420.7 [Lockdown Procedures](#)
- R8420.10 [Active Shooter](#)

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G4. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED 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 books/textbooks at Holdrum Middle School:****

Title of Book/Textbook	ISBN #	Qty	Condition
Mel Bay's Modern Guitar Method, Grade 1	0-87166-354-6	5	Unused
Mel Bay's Guitar Class Method Volume 1	0-87166-530-1	9	Unused

Alfred Lesson Book Complete Level 1 for the Later Beginner	0-88284-817-8	22	Unused
Alice In Wonderland Jr. Chorus Book	No ISBN Available	18	Unused

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G5. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED 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 items at Holdrum Middle School:****

Item	Quantity	Condition	Asset Tag No.
Bongos	1	Poor/Unused	NA
Remo Drum	1	Poor/Unused	NA
Casio Keyboard	1	Out of Order	NA
Guitar (Montana)	1	Poor/Unused	NA
Guitars (Carlo Robelli)	3	Poor/Unused	NA
Glockenspiel	3	Poor/Unused	NA

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G6. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **accepts a grant from the Bergen County Audubon Society in the amount of \$500.00 for the 2022-2023 school year to be used toward building owl houses at Woodside Elementary School and Roberge Elementary Schools.****

Account No. 20-005-100-610-40-000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**G7. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the Special Education out-of-district placements/tuition costs for the 2022-2023 school year as follows:****

Student ID #	Program	LEA	Tuition	Term
20342137	RIBS, LLC	Private	\$920.00 Per Diem	March-June (53 Days)

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

**B1. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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, 2023 in the following balances:****

Fund 10	-	\$11,969,651.05
Fund 20	-	\$ (67,249.52)
Fund 30	-	\$20,070,511.89
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ 1,189,124.99</u>
Total		\$33,162,038.41

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**B2. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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, 2023** 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;

NOW, 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.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B3. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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, 2023 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$1,751,193.19
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 46,082.77
Fund 20 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$ 599,790.26
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 1,716.16
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 90 – Trust & Agency	-	\$1,882,526.58
Fund 91 – Merchants Account-		<u>\$ 18,115.68</u>
Total		\$4,299,424.64

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B4. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 the period dated March 31, 2023 in the amount of \$110,349.10.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B5. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 the period ending March 31, 2023 in the amount of 104,487.84 as set forth below:**

**Transfer of Funds
Month Ending March 31, 2023**

			FROM	TO
T557	23-11-000-213-320-10-18-043	PURCH PROF SERV/CLINICAL	(\$23,400.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-100-562-10-18-000	TUITION- LEA IN STATE	\$0.00	\$23,400.00
T561	23-11-000-252-610-10-65-098	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE/SUPPLIES	(\$1,500.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-252-610-10-65-022	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SOFTWARE/RENEWALS	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
T564	23-11-000-217-320-10-18-000	PURCHASED PROF ED SERVICES	(\$15,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-252-610-10-65-098	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE/SUPPLIES	(\$1,095.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-610-10-65-046	INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE/SUPPLIES	(\$12,205.84)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-320-40-11-102	R- PURCH ED SRV/SUBS	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
	23-12-000-100-730-10-65-000	DISTRICT-SMARTBOARD INTIATIVE	\$0.00	\$13,300.84
T574	23-11-000-216-320-10-18-000	PURCH PROF SRVCS/COMM FOR THE BLIND	(\$145.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-270-512-10-18-000	CST FIELD TRIPS	\$0.00	\$145.00
T581	23-11-000-262-420-40-11-000	R - COPIER REPAIRS/MAINT	(\$1,575.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-262-420-30-14-107	CONTRACTED IMPROVEMENTS - RES ANNEX	\$0.00	\$1,575.00
T623	23-11-000-211-100-20-11-000	H- ATTENDANCE & SOCIAL WORK	(\$2.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-213-106-40-11-004	R- NURSE'S AIDE SALARY	(\$3,180.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-230-331-10-11-049	LEGAL SERVICE EXP. - SP. SRVS.	(\$8,560.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-251-340-10-11-000	BUS OFFICE/PURCH TECH SERVICES	(\$2,100.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-262-110-60-11-000	WOODSIDE SCHOOL CUSTODIANS	(\$4,450.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-262-590-20-14-000	H - MISC OTHER PURCH SERVICES	(\$1,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-270-512-20-20-110	H- ATHLETIC TRANS	(\$10,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-120-100-101-60-11-000	W- GRADES 1-5 TEACHER SALARIES	(\$16,300.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-130-100-101-20-11-000	H- GRADE 6-8 TEACHER SALARIES	(\$3,940.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-230-100-101-60-11-000	W - BASIC SKILLS/TCHR SALARIES	(\$35.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-211-100-40-11-000	R- ATTENDANCE & SOCIAL WORK	\$0.00	\$2.00
	23-11-000-211-590-10-65-000	STUDENT MANGMNT/PURCH SERV-GENESIS	\$0.00	\$350.00

23-11-000-213-100-20-11-102	H- SUB NURSE/SALARY	\$0.00	\$2,580.00
23-11-000-213-100-40-11-102	R - SUB NURSE/SALARY	\$0.00	\$190.00
23-11-000-213-100-60-11-102	W- SUB NURSE/SALARY	\$0.00	\$860.00
23-11-000-230-332-10-11-000	AUDITOR FEES	\$0.00	\$10,560.00
23-11-000-251-330-10-11-000	BUS OFFICE/PURCH PROF SRVCS	\$0.00	\$100.00
23-11-000-262-110-20-11-062	H- CUSTODIAN SUB/SALARIES	\$0.00	\$400.00
23-11-000-262-110-20-11-073	H - CUST/MAINTENANCE O/T	\$0.00	\$350.00
23-11-000-262-110-40-11-073	R - CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE O/T	\$0.00	\$3,700.00
23-11-000-262-490-20-14-000	H- WATER	\$0.00	\$450.00
23-11-000-262-490-60-14-000	W- WATER	\$0.00	\$550.00
23-11-000-270-515-10-11-000	SPECIAL ED TRANS. JOINT AGRMNT	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
23-11-130-100-101-20-11-001	TCHR LUNCH DUTY SALARIES	\$0.00	\$2,250.00
23-11-130-100-101-20-11-032	H- GRADES 6-8/EXTRA WORK	\$0.00	\$1,690.00
23-11-190-100-320-40-11-102	R- PURCH ED SRV/SUBS	\$0.00	\$12,500.00
23-11-190-100-320-60-11-102	W- PURCH ED SRV/SUBS	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
23-11-230-100-101-40-11-000	R - BASIC SKILLS/TCHR SALARIES	\$0.00	\$35.00
		(\$104,487.84)	
			\$104,487.84

Note: Transaction Date 3/31/23

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B6. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 18, 2023 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$1,101,048.34
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 56,790.76
Fund 20 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$1,146,099.33
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	-	\$ 223,524.27
Fund 91 – Merchants Account-		<u>\$ 25,050.45</u>
Total		\$2,552,258.15

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B7. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 the period dated April 18, 2023 in the amount of \$34,165.45.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B8. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the transfer of funds for the period ending April 18, 2023 in the amount of \$2,000.00 as set forth below:**

**Transfer of Funds
Month Ending April 18, 2023**

			FROM	TO
T622	23-11-000-261-100-10-11-067	MAINTENANCE OVERTIME	(\$2,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-261-420-20-14-000	H- BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
			(\$2,000.00)	
				\$2,000.00

Note: Transaction Date
4/18/23

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B9. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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., as follows:**

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 technology products and services to Trafera Holdings, LLC through the TIPS Cooperative Contract #200105 in the amount of \$114,750.00.

Account No. 20-483-100-610-10-65-000 - \$76,274.38

Account No. 20-487-100-610-10-65-000 - \$38,475.62

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B10. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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., as follows:**

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 technology products and services to Trafera Holdings, LLC through the TIPS Cooperative Contract #200105 in the amount of \$116,910.00.

Account No. 20-487-100-610-10-65-000 - \$116,910.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B11. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **purchase electric generation services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (“ACES”), Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801, as follows:**

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq. (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the River Vale School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the River Vale School District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs’ Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Vale School District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801- ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the District to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price

charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B12. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor **SECONDED Mr. White**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the use of Alternate # 01, the Allowance and the following change orders (# 1, # 2 and # 3) in connection with the Woodside Elementary School Roofing Project as submitted and approved by LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc. and, furthermore, authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and execute all pertinent payment applications summarized as follows:**

<u>Project #</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Original Contract Amount</u>	<u>Accepted Change Orders</u>	<u>Adjusted Contract Amount</u>
2.797.56.02	Northeast Roof Maintenance	\$ 1,763,000.00		\$ 1,763,000.00
	Use of Alternate # 01 Polyiso In Lieu Of LWT Concrete		(\$ 150,000.00)	(\$ 150,000.00)
	Allowance		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	Change Order # 1 – Roof Hatch Change Order # 2 – Deck Attachment		\$ 42,178.00	\$ 42,178.00
	Change Order # 3 – Masonry Repair		\$ 8,276.00	\$ 8,276.00
	Totals	\$ 1,763,000.00	(\$ 79,546.00)	\$ 1,683,454.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B13. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following change order (#1) in connection with the Woodside Elementary School Rooftop HVAC Replacement as submitted and approved by LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc. and furthermore authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and execute all pertinent payment applications summarized as follows:**

<u>Project #</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Original Contract Amount</u>	<u>Accepted Change Orders</u>	<u>Adjusted Contract Amount</u>
2.2797.56.04	H&S Construction & Mechanical, Inc.	\$ 1,235,000.00		\$ 1,235,000.00
	Change Order # 1 – Credit for Builder’s Risk		(\$ 2,735.00)	(\$ 2,735.00)
	Totals	\$ 1,235,000.00	(\$ 2,735.00)	\$ 1,232,265.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B14. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White

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 Educational Services Commission of New Jersey to A.M.E., Inc.**

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 through 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 temperature control products and services to A.M.E., Inc. through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey RFP #ESCNJ 20/21-50 in the total amount of \$757,484.00, as follows:

Location	Material	A.M.E., Labor	Installation	Total Cost	Account No.
Holdrum Middle School	\$166,835.00	\$255,921.00	\$334,728.00	\$757,484.00	30-000-400-450-20-11-017

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

- B15. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the Addendum to modify the Agreement for Substitute Services with ESS Northeast, LLC., to include payment for stipend services for the 2022-2023 school year.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

- 16. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White**
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the date for advertisement of April 24, 2023, and the date for receipt of sealed bids of May 23, 2023 for the Application of Spray Fireproofing. Bids shall be received by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at the River Vale Board of Education Offices, 609 Westwood Avenue, River Vale, New Jersey 07675, until 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and made available for examination by any interested persons. Bid awards shall be made by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary in accordance with the bid specifications and applicable legal statutes.**

All bid awards shall be submitted to the Board of Education at a subsequent public meeting for formal approval.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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, 2022 through June 30, 2023.**

Employee	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Kimberly Dowling	C&I	MTSS 2nd Annual Effective Practices Statewide Summit	Virtual	5/5/2023	\$100.00
Erin Fahey	RES	Science/SS Curriculum Articulation Meeting	PVRHS	5/3/2023 6/1/2023	\$0.00
Justin Lewbel	HMS	Regional Curriculum Writing	PVRHS	5/1/2023	\$0.00
Anne Makendra	HMS	Media Specialist Articulation	PVRHS	5/2/2023	\$0.00
Marcia Miller	RES	Grade 4 Science Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PVRHS	4/26/2023	\$0.00
Krista Rasmussen	HMS	Regional Curriculum Writing	PVRHS	5/1/2023	\$0.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17a.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Jamie Assor	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED	✓						

B17b.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Louan Austin	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED		✓					

B17c.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Cheryl Berkowitz	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED			✓				

B17d.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Patrice Pintarelli	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED				✓			

B17e.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Steven Rosini	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17f.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Virginia Senande	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED					✓		

B17g.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Arthur White	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED						✓	

B17h.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Melissa Signore	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17i.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Kelly Ippolito	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17j.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Thomas Tracy	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17k.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Thomas O’Gara	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17l.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Kimberly Dowling	BOE	NJSBA Workshop 2023	Atlantic City, NJ	10/23/23 10/24/23 10/25/23 10/26/23	Not to Exceed \$1,000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

B17m.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
Louan Austin	BOE	Governance I: New Board Member Orientation	Virtual/Online	5/22/23 5/30/23 6/5/23	0.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED		✓					

**B18. MOTION BY Mrs. Assor SECONDED Mr. White
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 and Assemblies for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023:****

School	Grade	Teacher	Trip/Assembly	Location	Date
WES	Grade 1	Incantalupo/Rome/Cottiers	Tenafly Nature Center	Tenafly, NJ	May, 2023
WES	Kindergarten	May/Santuli/Norris	Farm Chicks Traveling Petting Zoo	In District	May, 2023
HMS	6/7/8 Robotics	Heffernan/Eisler/Sarnoski	Robotics Team fundraiser	Westwood Theater	June, 2023

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

**P1. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves an unpaid child rearing leave of absence for staff member ID #004804 beginning on or about September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P2. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the unpaid Family Medical Leave of Absence for staff member ID #001635 to begin on September 7, 2023 through on or about November 29, 2023.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P3. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the paid medical leave of absence for staff member ID #004138 to begin on April 14, 2023 through on or about May 12, 2023.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P4. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 John Noone, Holdrum Teacher, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2023.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P5. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 Eileen DeMaria, Woodside Guidance Counselor, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2023.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P6. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves an unpaid leave of absence for Elizabeth Courtney, Woodside Special Education Aide, on March 7, 2023 and March 21, 2023 for a total of two (2) unpaid days.****

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P7. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, retroactively approves an unpaid leave of absence for Joanne Caren, Holdrum Lunch Aide, on March 31, 2023 for a total of one (1) unpaid day.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P8. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, retroactively approves an unpaid leave of absence for Nicole Frank, Roberge Teacher, on March 31, 2023 for a total of one-half (1/2) unpaid day.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P9. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 Cynthia Mazza, Woodside Lunch Aide, May 1, 2023 through May 4, 2023, for a total of four (4) unpaid days.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P10. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and pursuant to the RVEA Agreement, **approves the following salaries for Movement on the Guide - Round Three, for documentation received November 2, 2022 through April 1, 2023, retroactive to February 1, 2023:****

Employee	Location/ Dept.	"FROM" Level/ Step	Longevity	Base Salary	Total Salary	"TO" Level/ Step	Longevity	Base Salary	Total Salary	Account No.
Justin Lewbel	HMS	BA/3	\$0.00	\$56,515.00	\$56,515.00	MA/3	\$0.00	\$65,185.00	\$65,185.00	11-130-100-101-20-11-000
Angela Rossi	WES	BA/5	\$0.00	\$57,315.00	\$57,315.00	BA+15/5	\$0.00	\$57,890.00	\$57,890.00	11-120-100-101-60-11-000
Kimberly Stibli	RES	MA+15/8	\$0.00	\$74,770.00	\$74,770.00	MA+30/8	\$0.00	\$80,375.00	\$80,375.00	11-230-100-101-40-11-000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P11. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the following staff member(s) to teach an additional 6th period at Holdrum for the 2022-2023 school year at 1/6th of the employee’s salary, per the agreement with the RVEA, effective on or about March 27, 2022 through on or about April 17, 2023 as set forth below:****

Employee	Degree/Step	Base Salary	Extra Pay	Total Salary	Account No.
Jeanine Matone	MA30/18	\$111,200.00	\$1,297.32	\$112,497.32	11-213-100-101-20-11-000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

**P12. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the following staff member(s) to teach an additional 6th period at Holdrum for the 2022-2023 school year at 1/6th of the employee’s salary, per the agreement with the RVEA, effective on or about March 27, 2022 through on or about June 2, 2023 as set forth below:****

Employee	Degree/Step	Base Salary	Extra Pay	Total Salary	Account No.
MaryCatherine O'Loughlin	BA30/16	\$93,740.00	\$3,515.25	\$97,255.25	11-213-100-101-20-11-000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

P13. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 2022-2023 school year, as set forth below:**

Name	School	Type	Staff Member	College/School
Maria Lo Piccolo	RES	Observation	Rene Pizzano	TCNJ

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

P14. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves a revision of the extra-compensation amount for the following staff member(s) for the 2022-2023 school year, as set forth below:**

GROUP "A" - ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS					
	Position	Location / Description	Compensation	Staff Member	Account No.
A2	Music Concerts & Programs	Woodside	1,701.00	Anna Dore	11-401-100-100-60-11-040
A4	Media/Audio/Visual	Woodside	1,050.00	Anna Dore	11-401-100-100-60-11-040

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

P15. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

P16. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 2022-2023 school year.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

P17. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Senande
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 2022-2023 school year.**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	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 7:15 P.M.

Public comments:
None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:15 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. White raised the topic of school security which has been discussed at length over the last year and opened up discussion to the Board regarding the possibility of having armed Police Officers or security guards in our schools. He advised that the Safety Committee, consisting of representatives from the River Vale Police Department, Superintendent, Board Administrator, as well as Board members and district Administrators, have been meeting and reviewing existing protocols and policies and discussing ways to increase or add additional measures if necessary, as school violence and shootings have become more of a topic for concern.

Mr. White, in his opinion as a Law Enforcement Officer and member of the Safety Committee, believes River Vale Schools are very secure and safe with the protocols currently in place and should continue focusing on enhancing security measures within our physical structures. Adding an Officer or Guard would be an additional tool for the

District. However, there are budgetary concerns and would like further input and options from the Board regarding this area.

In addition, River Vale’s measures in addressing mental health issues of staff and students are second to none and are key components in helping to prevent violence of any nature and the District does an excellent job in this area.

Ms. Signore reiterated that the District has an incredible amount of support from the River Vale Police Department. Officers are very visible in schools multiple times a day and they go above and beyond any other town she is aware of. There is a multi-layered approach to security already in place, including physical and pro-active measures, and the Police Department continues to guide us and collaborate with the Committee, as well as provide input from City and County officials.

Mrs. Signore indicated that the cost for hiring a Police Officer would be approximately \$50-\$60,000 annually and training costs would be between \$5-\$8,000 annually, per officer. It was suggested that an officer or guard would be placed in each building. A motion would have to be made to make changes to the current approved tentative budget before voting at the final budget hearing on May 2, 2023. Alternatively, a second question would be added to the budget which have to be voted on by the taxpayers in the November election.

Ms. Ippolito discussed the second question process. The budget has to be approved by the County office as you cannot put up a second question for something that is normally in your base budget. It must be outside of normal budget requirements and would probably be approved by the County. If approved, we could not implement anything until after the election results are certified, which means we won’t know the outcome until the third week or so of November. At that point, we could take steps to move forward with program and expenses. If not approved, you cannot implement even a portion of the plan, it would be an all or none decision. You would then have to wait for the next budget cycle for addressing the second question again. The current budget can be changed at the public hearing on May 2nd and then sent back to the County for review and approval. Changing the budget would mean cutting expenses or program. Raising the second question at election would mean taxpayers would vote on an increase in annual taxes to cover this additional cost.

Discussion was held amongst Board Members who provided their own observations and comments. The Board agreed to table this matter for further discussion at the May 2nd Board of Education meeting.

Mrs. Austin commended Mr. Smith for incredible art show in displaying the students work at Roberge School this year.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande that the April 18, 2023 Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
NAY							
ABSENT							✓
ABSTAINED							

Respectfully submitted,



Ms. Kelly Ippolito
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator