

RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
River Vale, New Jersey 07675
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
March 31, 2015
MINUTES

Mrs. Waldes called the Regular 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. Eaton, Mr. Ellis, Mrs. Pintarelli, Mr. Rosini, Dr. Spector, Mrs. Waldes

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Moon

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. McCourt, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Cody, Principal Holdrum School
Mr. Wren, Assistant Principal Holdrum School
Mr. Tis, Principal Roberge School
Mr. Dickey, Principal Woodside School
Eight member of public

FLAG SALUTE

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON

- **Buildings & Grounds** – Ms. Ippolito reported that the authorized drawings of Woodside School bathroom and gymnasium have been submitted to the SDA
- **Communications & Policies** – None
- **Curriculum & Technology** – None
- **Finance** – Mrs. Eaton reported that the Tentative Budget was approved by the County.
- **Negotiations** – Mr. Rosini reported that the Negotiations with the RVEA are continuing.
- **Personnel** – None

Committee Meeting Revised Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Committee</u>
April 21, 2015	6:00 PM	Finance
April 28, 2015	6:00 PM	Personnel
May 12, 2015	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology

PUBLIC COMMENTS – All 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 either telephone or letter.

Meeting opened to public comments at 7:03 P.M.

None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:03 P.M.

SUPERINTENDENTS'S REPORTS

None

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

None

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

None

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

- B1. MOTION BY Mrs. Eaton SECONDED BY Dr. Spector**
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, April 1, 2015, and the date for receipt of sealed bids, May 5, 2015, for the Woodside Bathroom Renovation project, #4430-070-15-1000. 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 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday, May 5, 2015,** 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.

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

B2. MOTION BY Mrs. Eaton SECONDED BY Dr. Spector
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, April 1, 2015, and the date for receipt of sealed bids, May 5, 2015, for the Woodside Gymnasium Renovation project, #4430-070-15-2000. 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 5, 2015**, 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.

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Dr. Spector
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the appointment of Melissa Signore** to the position of Woodside School Principal, at the salary of \$120,000, effective upon release from her current employer, but no later than, July 1, 2015, and pending completion of the Criminal History Review Process and verification of credentials.

Account No. 11-000-240-103-60-11-000

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

PUBLIC COMMENTS – General Items

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Meeting opened to public comments at 7:12 P.M.

None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:12 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION

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:

- 4. Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such, specifically, the following matter:
 - Negotiations with the RVEA

- 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation (other than any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such) in

which the Board of Education is or may become a party, or any matter falling within the attorney/client privilege, specifically, the following matter:

- For the purpose of discussing the WNBC OPRA litigation

MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli, that the March 31, 2015 Special Session Meeting be closed to the public at 7:35 PM.

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli, that the March 31, 2015 Closed Session Meeting be opened to the public at 8:05 PM.

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION BY Mr. Rosini SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli that the March 31, 2015 Special Session Meeting be adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

	Mrs. Eaton	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Moon	Mrs. Pintarelli	Dr. Spector	Mr. Rosini	Mrs. Waldes
AYE	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT			✓				
ABSTAINED							

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Ippolito
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

