

**RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**River Vale, New Jersey 07675**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Roberge Annex**  
**May 26, 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, Mrs. Rothenberg, Mrs. Senande, Mrs. Waldes**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Puccio, Mr. Rosini, Mr. Schlereth**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**Dr. Alvarez, Interim Superintendent of Schools**  
**Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary**  
**Mr. Peterson, Director of Buildings & Grounds**  
**Mr. O’Gara, Director of Technology**  
**One member of the public**  
**Mr. Kenneth Karle, LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.**  
**Mr. Steve Secora, LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.**  
**Mr. Matthew Fink, LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.**  
**Mr. Mathew Wolfe, LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.**  
**Mr. Ryan Calabro, LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON**

- **Buildings & Grounds** – Ms. Ippolito reported that the Woodside School drainage/paving project will be expected to begin towards the end of June based on the pre-construction meeting that was held with the contractor and engineer earlier today.
- **Communications & Policies** – None
- **Curriculum & Technology** – None
- **Finance** – None
- **Negotiations** – None
- **Personnel** – None

**Committee Meeting Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Committee</b>
September 8, 2020	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
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 7:05 P.M.**

**Public comments:** None

**Meeting closed to public comments at 7:05 P.M.**

### **INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Alvarez reported on the following items:

1. Remote learning continues in these final weeks of school; teachers and principals are trying new strategies and resources in an effort to keep the instruction feeling relevant and fresh for all.
2. A Remote Learning Parent Survey will be administered prior to the end of the school year. The survey will gather information on instruction during the last few months of school that could help inform future practice and better understand parents' perceptions and levels of satisfaction. This new survey will replace our annual School Perception Survey.
3. The administrative team is beginning to plan in earnest for September 2020. It could be that we are open for business as usual with restrictions based on CDC guidance and NJDOE guidelines. It could be that we have to continue with remote learning as we are currently doing. It could be that we implement a hybrid model, which could take various forms. All yet to be determined, what is certain is that it will not be a return to normal as we know it.
4. The Extended School Year program for our special education students will be a remote learning model this summer. It is our intent to operate the program with our current staff. Region II will continue to offer ABA and related services over the summer via the virtual/remote platform based upon requests from Child Study Team members.
5. We are also planning for a virtual graduation ceremony at Holdrum as well as virtual moving-up celebrations at Roberge and Woodside. More details to follow in early June.

### **BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Ms. Ippolito spoke about the following:

1. State Aid – Preliminary information was released and the expectation is that the District will not be expecting the State Aid proposed in March 2020 for the 2020-2021 budget but rather the District should expect the same amount of State Aid as the 2019-2020 budget which would mean an approximate loss of \$116,000.

2. LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc. will be presenting to the Board on the status of the Referendum Project under New Business

**GENERAL RESOLUTIONS**

- G1. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the Minutes from the May 12, 2020 Board Meeting.****

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

- G2. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the evaluation tool for the Chief School Administrator.****

	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 Mrs. Pintarelli  
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 April 30, 2020 in the following balances:****

Fund 10	-	\$9,017,430.81
Fund 20	-	\$ (79,706.80)
Fund 30	-	\$ 179,890.86
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ .39</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$9,117,615.26</b>

	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>							

**B2. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli**  
**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 **April 30, 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
<b>AYE</b>	√			√		√	√
<b>NAY</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>		√	√		√		
<b>ABSTAINED</b>							

**B3. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli**  
**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 month ending **April 30, 2020** in the **amount of \$34,650.00** as set forth below:

**Transfer of Funds  
Month Ending April 30, 2020**

<b>T790</b>	FROM	11-000-211-100-60-11-000	W-ATTENDANCE & SOCIAL WORK	-1000.00
	FROM	11-000-213-106-20-11-004	H-NURSE’S AIDE SALARY	-3000.00
	FROM	11-000-216-320-10-18-118	PURCH PROF SRVCS-SPEECH CONS	-4000.00
	FROM	11-000-251-330-10-11-000	BUS OFFICE/PURCH PROF SRVCS	-3600.00
	FROM	11-000-161-110-60-11-073	W-CUST/MAINTENANCE O/T	-2600.00
	FROM	11-000-291-260-10-11-000	WORKER’S COMPENSATION	-3500.00
	FROM	11-120-100-101-40-11-001	TCHR LUNCH DUTY SALARIES	-4050.00

	FROM	11-130-100-101-20-11-001	TCHR LUNCH DUTY SALARIES	-11750.00
	FROM	11-204-100-320-60-11-102	W-LLD PURCH ED SRVS/SUBS	-750.00
	FROM	11-230-100-320-40-11-102	R-BSI PURCH ED SRV/SUBS	-400.00
	TOTAL			<b>-34650.00</b>
	TO	11-000-211-100-20-11-000	H-ATTENDANCE & SOCIAL WORK	1000.00
	TO	11-000-213-320-40-40-072	R-SECT. 504 OCCUPATIONAL THRPY	1500.00
	TO	11-000-213-320-60-60-072	W-SECT. 504 OCCUPATIONAL THRPY	1500.00
	TO	11-000-216-320-10-18-079	FEES/PHYSICAL THERAPY	4000.00
	TO	11-000-240-105-20-11-000	H-SECRETARY SALARIES	3500.00
	TO	11-000-240-105-60-11-000	W-SECRETARY SALARIES	100.00
	TO	11-000-262-420-20-11-000	H-COPIER REPAIRS/MAINT	100.00
	TO	11-000-263-420-20-14-000	H-GROUNDS/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	2500.00
	TO	11-000-291-290-10-11-000	OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	3500.00
	TO	11-130-100-101-20-11-032	H-GRADES 6-8/EXTRA WORK	1750.00
	TO	11-240-100-101-60-11-000	W-LLD TEACHER SALARY	750.00
	TO	11-213-100-101-20-11-000	H-RESOURCE TEACHER SALARIES	12050.00
	TO	11-213-100-320-60-11-102	W-RES ROOM PURCH ED SRV/SUBS	2000.00
	TO	11-230-100-101-40-11-000	R-BASIC SKILLS/TCHR SALARIES	200.00
	TO	11-230-100-101-60-11-000	W-BASIC SKILLS/TCHR SALARIES	200.00
	TOTAL			<b>34650.00</b>
	<b>TOTALS:</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>			<b>-34650.00</b>
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>34650.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date: 4/30/20

	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>							

**B4. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli  
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 May 26, 2020** as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$ 912,849.62
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 - Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 65 – Enterprise Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 90 - Trust & Agency	-	\$ 234,637.89
Fund 91 – Merchants Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,147,487.51</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 Mrs. Pintarelli  
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 **May 26, 2020** in the amount of **\$462,401.04**.

	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 Mrs. Pintarelli  
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 period ending **May 26, 2020** in the **amount of \$58,700.00** as set forth below:

**Transfer of Funds  
Period Ending May 26, 2020**

<b>T793</b>	FROM	11-000-261-420-60-14-000	W-BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	-3700.00
	FROM	11-000-291-270-10-11-000	HEALTH BENEFITS	-18000.00
	TOTAL			<b>-21700.00</b>
	TO	11-000-261-420-20-14-000	H-BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	3700.00
	TO	11-000-266-420-30-14-000	RA-BLDG/SECURITY MONITORING	18000.00
	TOTAL			<b>21700.00</b>
<b>T805</b>	FROM	11-190-100-440-10-65-000	HP EQUIPMENT LEASE	<b>-35000.00</b>
	TO	11-190-100-610-10-65-046	INSTRUCTIONAL HARDWARE/SUPPLIES	<b>35000.00</b>
<b>T806</b>	FROM	11-000-213-106-20-11-004	H-NURSE'S AIDE SALARY	<b>-2000.00</b>
	TO	11-000-213-610-40-40-000	R-NURSE'S SUPPLIES	1000.00
	TO	11-000-213-610-60-60-000	W-NURSE'S SUPPLIES	1000.00
	TOTAL			<b>-2000.00</b>
	<b>TOTALS:</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>			<b>-58700.00</b>
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>58700.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date: 5/26/20

	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 Mrs. Pintarelli**  
**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
Kimberly Dowling	Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction	Northeast Visible Learning Institute	Virtual	10/21/2020	299.00

	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 Mrs. Pintarelli**  
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves** the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the River Vale Board of Education (“the Board”) and Scholastic Bus Company (“the Contractor”) are parties to a transportation services agreement dated, July 1, 2019 (“Agreement”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement provides that the Contractor shall be paid for transportation services performed; and

**WHEREAS**, due to COVID-19, the River Vale Public School District (“the District”) has remained closed as of March 13, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result, transportation services have discontinued; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, the Board approved an addendum to the Agreement to pay the Contractor Scholastic Bus Company for the remainder of the school year; and

**WHEREAS**, recent legislation has provided for the continuation of payments to contracted services providers during this health related school closure to meet the payroll and fixed costs obligations of the contracted service provider, excluding the costs of fuel and tolls; and



**WHEREAS**, the Board and the Contractor have renegotiated their contract for the remainder of the school year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has agreed to pay the Contractor 54% of the remaining contract balance (which excludes indirect costs, such as the cost of fuel and tolls) conditioned upon the Contractor certifying to the Board that it shall use the funds received from the Board to pay any fixed costs obligations specific and prorated for the Board’s routes, and provide copies of any business interruption insurance policy that the Contractor may have to cover business losses, as well as acknowledge that the Contractor has not received a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program (“PPP”); and

**WHEREAS**, the parties have amended the terms of the Agreement to memorialize and clarify the respective responsibilities and obligations of the parties as set forth above.

	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>							

**B9. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli**

**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 Contract Awarded Supplier**.

**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 equipment for the District to Trinity 3 Technology through TIPS Contract # 170306 in the amount of \$155,925.

**Account No. 11-190-100-610-10-65-046 - \$55,925**  
**20-001-100-610-10-65-000 - \$100,000 – RVEF to pay directly**

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

**B10. MOTION BY Mrs. Rothenberg SECONDED BY Mrs. Pintarelli**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, River Vale Board of Education has determined to move forward with the EMEX Reverse Auction in order to procure natural gas for River Vale Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c. 30) (the “Act”) authorizes the purchase of natural gas supply service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

**WHEREAS**, River Vale Board of Education will utilize the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act, waiver number EMEX LLC-1, located at [www.energymarketexchange.com](http://www.energymarketexchange.com); and

**WHEREAS**, EMEX, LLC is compensated for all services rendered through the participating supplier that a contract is awarded to; and

**WHEREAS**, the auction will be conducted pursuant to the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, if the auction achieves a price of \$0.5430/therm or less for a 12 month term, a price of \$0.5385/therm or less for an 18 month term, a price of \$0.5362/therm or less for a 24 month term, a price of \$0.5294/therm or less for a 36 month term; River Vale Board of Education may award a contract to the winning supplier for the selected term.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the River Vale Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the River Vale Board of Education any natural gas contract proffered by the participating supplier that submits the winning bid in the EMEX Reverse Auction if the auction achieves a price of \$0.5430/therm or less for a 12 month term, a price of \$0.5385/therm or less for an 18 month term, a price of \$0.5362/therm or less for a 24 month term, a price of \$0.5294/therm or less for a 36 month term; River Vale Board of Education may award a contract to the winning supplier for the selected term.

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

**PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS**

**P1. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the payment of vacation days per the contract for the following Administrators:****

James Cody	Holdrum School Principal	2 days @ \$589.10 = \$1,178.20	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Joelle DeGaetano	Supervisor of Special Services, Social Worker	4 days @ \$596.68 = \$2,386.72	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Kimberly Dowling	Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction	4 days @ \$490.29 = \$1,961.16	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Justin Jasper	Holdrum School Assistant Principal	2 days @ \$480.36 = \$960.72	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Thomas O’Gara	Director of Educational Technology	4 days @ \$528.41 = \$2,113.64	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Kenneth Peterson	Director of Buildings & Grounds	4 days @ \$465.15 = \$1,860.60	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Melissa Signore	Woodside School Principal	2 days @ \$543.86 = \$1,087.72	11-000-291-290-10-11-000
Stephen Wren	Roberge School Principal	2 days @ \$535.83 = \$1,071.66	11-000-291-290-10-11-000

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

**P2. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the payment for the following faculty members to participate in The RULER Approach Training, not to exceed 2 days, beginning July 20, 2020 at their per diem rate:****

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
James Cody	N/A
Joelle DeGaetano	N/A
Kimberly Dowling	N/A
Justin Jasper	N/A
Melissa Signore	N/A
Stephen Wren	N/A
Denise Alex	2 days @ \$415.78 = \$831.56
Lynn Baker	2 days @ \$556.15 = \$1,112.30
Laura Barnette	2 days @ \$554.40 = \$1,108.80
Lisa Battinelli	2 days @ \$435.78 = \$871.56
Deborah Chinnici	2 days @ \$527.13 = \$1,054.26
Eileen DeMaria	2 days @ \$553.40 = \$1,106.80

Laura Harney	2 days @ \$357.53 = \$715.06
Janine Lebowitz	2 days @ \$331.08 = \$662.16
Kelly Reilly	2 days @ \$431.83 = \$863.66

**Account No. 11-000-221-104-10-17-081**

	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>							

**P3. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the creation of the following Schedule B positions for the 2020-2021 school year** as outlined below:**

- One (1) 1.0 FTE Schedule B, Group B Boomwackers Club at Roberge Elementary School
- One (1) 1.0 FTE Schedule B, Group B Cultural Connections Club at Holdrum Middle School
- One (1) 1.0 FTE Schedule B, Group B Art Club at Woodside Elementary School

	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>							

**P4. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the abolishment of the following position for the 2020-2021 school year** as outlined below:**

- One (1) LLD Self-Contained Class, 1.00 FTE Teacher at Roberge Elementary School

	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>							

**P5. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the creation of the following position for the 2020-2021 school year as outlined below:**

- One (1) Resource Program Class, 1.00 FTE Teacher at Holdrum Middle School

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

**P6. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, **approves the transfer of the following staff for the 2020-2021 school year as outlined below:**

- Transfer Melanie Greco a LLD Teacher at Roberge Elementary School to a Resource Program Class Teacher at Holdrum Middle School

**Account No. 11-213-100-101-20-11-000**

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

**P7. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 District Special Education Aides for the 2020-2021 school year, pending criminal history review, as set forth below:**

NAME	SCHOOL	POSITION	HOURS	DAYS	STEP	HOURLY SALARY	ACCOUNT
Marcella Bruno	WES	Special Ed Aide/LLD	5.75	5	1	15.00	11-204-100-106-60-11-000
Masiel Saez	HMS	Special Ed Aide	5.75	5	1	15.00	11-000-217-106-20-11-004

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

- P8. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 placements for the 2020-2021 school year:****

LOCATION	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	TYPE	TEACHER	COLLEGE/SCHOOL
RES	Tara	Schlessinger	Student Teacher /Art	Sean Smith	Ramapo College of NJ

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

- P9. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 Summer Custodians at the hourly rate of \$15.00 per hour for the 2020-2021 school year pending Criminal History Review (as applicable) for the months of July and August 2020 or for special projects as assigned throughout the school year:****

First Name	Last Name
Matthew	Checke
James	Hong
Steven	Panagi
Timothy	VanSaders
Brian	Ziltz

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

- P10. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 district substitutes at the hourly rate of \$20.00 for the 2020-2021 school year pending Criminal History Review (as applicable):****

First Name	Last Name	Substitute Category
Matthew	Checke	Custodial
James	Hong	Custodial
Steven	Panagi	Custodial
Timothy	VanSaders	Custodial
Brian	Ziltz	Custodial

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

- P11. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 for the 2020-2021 school year at the step and salary listed below, pending completion of the Criminal History Review Process.****

EMPLOYEE NAME	SCHOOL	FTE	POSITION	STEP	SALARY	ACCOUNT NO.
April Callas	HMS	1.0	Math Teacher	BA/1	\$54,895.00	11-130-100-101-20-11-000

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

- P12. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 2019-2020 school year.****

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

- P13. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 aide services to the district for the 2019-2020 school year.****

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

**P14. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
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 Catherine Della Torre, a Woodside School teacher, for the purpose of retirement effective June 30, 2020.****

	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 7:14 P.M.**

**Public comments:**

**Ms. Jamie Assor, 512 Bernita Drive:** Thank you for working so hard for our children. The teachers are doing a great job. Our daughter is enjoying the added Zoom sessions. I appreciate the remote learning survey that will be going out.

**Meeting closed to public comments at 7:16 P.M.**



## OLD BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

Presentation by LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc.

Mr. Secora began the presentation with informing the Board that over the course of the past several weeks, LAN Associates and the River Vale Administrative Team have been meeting virtually to discuss the needs of the District and find consensus on the priorities as the schematic drawings will be required to be sent to the State Department of Education by mid-June 2020 for a December 2020 referendum.

Holdrum School Additions & Renovations

- Removing the lockers from the classrooms
- Connecting all corridors in the rear of Holdrum to relocate the lockers
- Create a Wellness Center,
- Five hundred (500) standard size lockers are shown at half height, which is close to the number of lockers required by the River Vale Board of Education
- It was noted that specialty lockers should be provided, possibly 75 to 100, that are larger size and full height or possibly half height and two (2) lockers are provided to a student athlete
- Additional classroom space and small instruction room at Holdrum

Canopies for all schools

- LAN reviewed the potential of improving the entrances at each of the schools. It was agreed that an extended entrance at Holdrum MS would be helpful. A canopy at the Cafetorium entrances at the Holdrum MS would be appropriate.

Classroom redesign

- LAN reviewed the options discussed for redesigning classrooms throughout the district. This was inclusive of the following:
  - Lighting
  - Ceilings
  - Flooring
  - Removing the lockers from the classrooms in the Middle School
  - Installing an enhanced sound system in all classrooms
  - Casework in classrooms

**NB1. MOTION BY Mrs. Pintarelli SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the River Vale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") has solicited proposals for a communication specialist and public relations services, which is an extraordinary unspecifiable service (hereinafter referred to as "EUS") in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.4 in conjunction with the Referendum Projects as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5; and;

**WHEREAS**, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, Laura Bishop Communications LLC has submitted a proposal for communication and public relations services;

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds that a contract for such services shall be awarded for the following reasons:

1. The fee structures proposed are most advantageous to the Board, price and other factors considered.
2. Experience and resources necessary to perform the contract have been demonstrated.
3. Reputation and responsibility of the communication specialist and public relations services are satisfactory.

**WHEREAS**, based on the positive reputation of, Laura Bishop Communications LLC and the fee structure, the Board desires to award a communication specialist and public relations services contract to Laura Bishop Communications LLC; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(2) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-2 et seq. allows the Board to award EUS contracts without public bidding; and

**WHEREAS**, Laura Bishop Communications LLC c has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Laura Bishop Communications LLC has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the County of Bergen, Township of River Vale or River Vale Board of Education in the previous one (1) year, and that the contract will prohibit Laura Bishop Communications LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** as follows:

1. The Board hereby appoints Laura Bishop Communications LLC as Construction Manager to provide a communication specialist and public relations services for the Referendum Projects.
2. This award is expressly conditioned upon Laura Bishop Communications LLC furnishing the requisite insurance certificate, together with an executed contract, as prepared by the Board, within ten (10) days of the date hereof.
3. The Board authorizes the Board Secretary/Business Administrator to execute the contract, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the award.
5. The Business Disclosure Form shall be placed on file with this resolution and a notice of award shall be published in the official newspaper of the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED BY Mrs. Rothenberg  
that the **May 26, 2020 Regular Meeting** be adjourned at **8:21 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

