

RIVERDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIVERDALE, NEW JERSEY

December 14, 2011
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING

Board President, **Mr. Shawn Dougherty**, called the Public Business Meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Riverdale to order on **December 14, 2011**. The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. with a flag salute. Mr. Dougherty then took the roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Kelly Norris, Richard Osterhoudt, Stephen Polizzi, Charles Sheridan, Colleen Tambuscio, Stephen Revis and Shawn Dougherty

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Betty Ann Wyks, Superintendent and Mr. Gary Grembowiec, Board Secretary/School Business Administrator

Recognition of visitors: There were three (3) members of the public in attendance for the meeting.

Mr. Dougherty, Board President, made the required announcement regarding notification of this meeting to the public.

ORAL COMMUNICATION ON AGENDA ITEMS – THIRTY MINUTES

Discussion: None

I. ACTION ITEMS – APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ROUTINE MATTERS:

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Mr. Sheridan to approve A.

A. Approval of meeting minutes as follows:

Workshop/Action Meeting	November 2, 2011 (As revised)
Private Executive Meeting	November 2, 2011
Public Business Meeting	November 16, 2011
Private Executive Meeting	November 16, 2011

November 2, 2011:	Yes: 6	No: 0	Abstain: 1	(Mr. Dougherty)
November 16, 2011:	Yes: 5	No: 0	Abstain: 2	(Mr. Osterhoudt and Mrs. Tambuscio)

FINANCE

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Ms. Norris to approve B.

Discussion: None

B. Payroll for the second half of the month of **November, 2011 in the amount \$128,101.10 and the first half month of **December, 2011** in the amount \$143,706.00.**

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Ms. Norris to approve C.

Discussion: None

C. Approve bills list dated **December 14, 2011** warrants #11021 through #11084 in the amount of \$386,997.38.

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Ms. Norris to approve D.

Discussion: None

D. Approval of wire transfer to the **State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits**, for health and prescription plan premiums for the month of:

December: \$41,582.48

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Ms. Norris to approve E.

Discussion: None

E. Approval of hand check register, dated December 14, 2011 warrants #1131-1132 in the amount of \$290.03.

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion by Mr. Revis, seconded by Mr. Sheridan to approve F.

Discussion: None

F. The Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the month ended **November 30, 2011** as per the attached, in the amount of \$2,185,335.28 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12, the Riverdale Board of Education acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of knowledge, as of **November 30, 2011** no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings and Grounds - No Report

Personnel

- Mr. Sheridan commented on the motion to appoint a full time custodian

Education

- Mrs. Tambuscio commented on the meeting scheduled with Dr. Wyks to discuss extracurricular proposals

Policy - No Report

Transportation - No Report

Negotiations

- Mr. Osterhoudt commented on the brief meeting prior to tonight's board meeting and noted there would be a resolution on tonight's agenda to be voted on after executive session.

Finance – No report

Pompton Lakes

- Mr. Dougherty commented on the three new course offering at the high school. Congratulations to Gabby Revis on being nominated to the Governor's School of Engineering and Science and to the Pompton Lakes football team who won the State championship.

QSAC

- Dr. Wyks commented on the notification of a change in date from January 24th to February 14th and the need for the committee to meet again.

II. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

FINANCE

F1. APPROVED 12/7/11

F2. APPROVED 12/7/11

F3. APPROVED 12/7/11

F4. APPROVED 12/7/11

F5. APPROVED 12/7/11

POLICY

L1. APPROVED 12/7/11

Motion by Mr. Polizzi, seconded by Mr. Revis to approve L2

Discussion: None

L2. Approve the following Policies at First and Final Reading:

- **0142** Board Member Qualifications, Prohibited Acts, and Code of Ethics
- **6424** Emergency Contracts
- **8505** School Nutrition
- **9700** Special Interest Groups

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

L3. APPROVED 12/7/11

Motion by Mr. Polizzi, seconded by Mr. Revis to approve L4

Discussion: None

L4. New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum

WHEREAS, the Riverdale Board of Education in the County of Morris is undergoing evaluation under NJ QSAC for the 2011-2012 school year, and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C 6A:30-3.2 (f) requires participating school districts to hold a public meeting to approve the submission of the district's DPR responses and the Statement of Assurances with respect to this process, and

WHEREAS, the Riverdale Board of Education in the County of Morris has reviewed the districts DPR responses and Statement of Assurances and hereby approves these documents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Riverdale Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the attached DPR and Statement of Assurances to the Commissioner of Education in compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2 (f).

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion by Mr. Polizzi, seconded by Mr. Revis to approve L5

Discussion: None

L5. Approve the following Policy and Regulation at Second and Final reading:

- o **5519** Dating Violence

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Mrs. Tambuscio to approve P1

Discussion: None

P1. Approve the appointment of **Lawrence D. Wirth**, as a full-time non tenured, non-certified custodial/maintenance worker, at an annual salary of \$32,500 (pro rated), with benefits, effective on or about January 3, 2012 through June 30, 2012, on an emergent basis, pending receipt of a favorable criminal history review.

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

P2. APPROVED 12/7/11

P3. APPROVED 12/7/11

P4. APPROVED 12/7/11

P5. APPROVED 12/7/11

EDUCATION

Motion by Mrs. Tambuscio, seconded by Mr. Revis to approve E1

Discussion: None

E1. Approve reimbursement and expenses, previously approved by the Superintendent for the following staff training, workshops, conventions, conferences and/or seminars as they are directly related to and within the scope of participant’s duties and are critical to the instructional needs of the district and/or further the efficient operation of the district. The travel and expenses are within state travel guidelines established by the Department of Treasury and are justified.

Date	Participant	Workshop	Location	Workshop Fee*	Housing
3/29/12	Jessica Shackil	It's All About Comprehension	Newark	\$199.00	N/A
3/29/12	Meghan O'Hara	It's All About Comprehension	Newark	\$199.00	N/A
*PLUS MILEAGE AND TOLLS IF APPLICABLE					

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

E2. APPROVED 12/7/11

TABLED UNTIL JANUARY

E3. Approve disenrollment of Student # 15927 (See attached resolution)

TRANSPORTATION

Motion by Ms. Norris, seconded by Mr. Polizzi to approve T1

Discussion: None

T1. Approve the following transportation services agreement for Student # 290011 for the 2011-2012 school year with **Passaic County Educational Services Commission** as follows:

TYPE	SCHOOL	AMOUNT
Private	Benway / Ho-Ho-Kus	\$13,942.08 (11/1/11 – 6/18/12 Paterson location)

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

T2. APPROVED 12/7/11

Motion by Ms. Norris, seconded by Mr. Polizzi to approve T3
Discussion: None

T3. Approve the following transportation services agreement with the **Educational Services Commission of Morris County** for the 2011-2012 school year as listed:

TYPE	SCHOOL	AMOUNT
Private	McAuley School	\$24,300.00

Yes: 7 No: 0 Abstain: 0

III. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

A. Letters and Communications

- **Mr. Shawn Dougherty** commented on the Trends newspaper article related to the potential for redistricting of the Pequannock School District due to enrollment drops and his recent communication with the Pequannock Board President regarding the same.

B. Superintendent’s Report (See attached) **Dr. Betty Ann Wyks**

Enrollment as of December 9, 2011

PreK-8:	341	
HS:	Tuition - 100	(2 Shared Time Vo-Tech)
Option III:	-0-	
Academy:	2	
Vo-Tech:	18	
Out of District:	10	

C. Business Administrator’s Report

- **Mr. Gary Grembowiec** reported on the NCLB Title IID EDEN Survey and the NJSBA Governance IV credit for Mr. Sheridan.

D. Information and Questions from Board Members - None

E. Oral Communication – None

IV. FUTURE MEETINGS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

January 11, 2012	Workshop/Action Meeting	7:30 p.m.
January 25, 2012	Public Business Meeting	7:30 p.m.
February 8, 2012	Workshop/Action Meeting	7:30 p.m.
February 22, 2012	Public Business Meeting	7:30 p.m.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Open Public Meetings Act, authorized a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and

WHEREAS, said law requires the board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE THAT:

1. It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session prior to adjournment of this meeting to discuss legal issues.
2. The matter discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Dougherty, seconded by Mr. Revis to approve adjournment from the Public Business Meeting at 6:50 p.m. into executive session. Mr. Dougherty noted that action may be taken after the return to the Public Session

The Board reconvened at 7:00 p.m. to Public Session.

Motion by Mr. Polizzi, seconded by Ms. Norris and adopted by the Board of Education by the following roll call:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Revis, Ms. Norris, Mr. Osterhoudt, Mr. Polizzi,
Mr. Sheridan and Mrs. Tambuscio

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- L6. BE IT RESOLVED** by the Riverdale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement between the Board and the Riverdale Education Association, which is annexed to this Resolution, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Motion by Mr. Dougherty seconded by Mr. Revis to approve adjournment from the Public Business Meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary J. Grembowiec
Business Administrator/Board Secretary