

**RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2019**

MINUTES

Call to Order – 7:00 p.m. – Primary School Cafeteria

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

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ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Anne Amato, Ben Forest, Dom Kalorin, Erik Perry, Ann Roseman, Frederick Stone, Suzanne Viscomi

ABSENT: Jennifer Garcia (arrived 7:04 pm), Janet Jones

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Rumage, Superintendent; Eileen Gorga, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Jonathan Busch, Esq.

I. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:02 pm Mrs. Amato motioned, seconded by Mr. Perry, to convene in Executive Session.

VOICE VOTE:

AYES: Mrs. Amato, Mr. Forest, Mr. Kalorin, Mr. Perry, Ms. Roseman, Dr. Stone, Ms. Viscomi

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Garcia (arrived 7:04 pm), Ms. Jones

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ABSENT: Ms. Jones

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Eileen Gorga, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Jonathan Busch, Esq.

FLAG SALUTE

Dr. Stone led the Salute to the Flag.

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ramage reported on the following:

- A. Monthly Student Attendance Report—Dr. Ramage reported this is much better than previous years.
- B. Monthly Enrollment Report
- C. Monthly Student Discipline Report—Monthly HIB Report
- D. 2018-2019 Audit Presentation – Robert Allison presented the 2018-2019 audit.
- E. Dr. Ramage thanked Mr. Laugelli for speaking in front of MC3 where he reported on the Lighthouse District journey.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Dr. Stone spoke about resolution 1021 regarding U.S. Census and its importance.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Amato reported on the recent Community Relations meeting. Topics included open houses held in November, census, Preschool marketing, media, casino fundraiser, referendum.
- Ms. Roseman reported on Curriculum; presentation by Interventionists, update on staffing levels, articulation update, DEAC.

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- Mr. Kalorin reported on Facilities and the referendum project; Summer 2019 projects getting done, QSAC walkthrough.
- Ms. Viscomi reported on the Finance Committee including Certificate of Excellence application, audit, QSAC review, Finance open meeting.
- Dr. Stone reported on the Policy Committee's recent work. Updated policies and regulations are on tonight's agenda for readings.

V. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - None

Bylaw #0167 reads . . . "Any individual deciding to speak shall state their name and address. All comments will be directed to the Chair. Speakers shall be limited to one (1) turn of five (5) minutes with a total public participation not exceeding 60 minutes."

VI. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Often times it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases a unanimous vote. Almost without exception, before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the matter is thoroughly reviewed by the Superintendent of Schools and, when necessary, other school district administrators. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, and if the circumstances permit, it is then referred to the appropriate committee of the Board of Education. The members of the Board committee work with the Administration and the Superintendent to assure its understanding of the matter. When the Board committee and the Superintendent are satisfied that it may be presented to the Board of Education, the matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting.

VII. ACTION AGENDA

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Mr. Forest, to approve the following:

COMMUNITY RELATIONS – 1000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following COMMUNITY RELATIONS resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

1021. WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population every ten years, and this decennial count which provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy; and

WHEREAS, the data gathered by the decennial Census and the Census Bureau's American Family Survey are used to determine how federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on Census data; and

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WHEREAS, Census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for the accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats and municipal voting districts; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank is home to individuals whom the U.S. Census Bureau has identified as “hard-to-count,” including college students, immigrants, and other non-English speakers, the elderly, and homeless and transient individuals; and

WHEREAS, collecting thorough and accurate information on all Borough of Red Bank residents during the 2020 Census and American Community Survey will be vital for economic development and increased employment and opportunity throughout the decade ahead; and

WHEREAS, the information collected is confidential and protected by law from disclosure to other federal and state agencies, including law enforcement, in order to protect the privacy of residents and their families; and

WHEREAS, the combined efforts of business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media, and others are necessary to educate the Borough of Red Bank’s diverse communities on the importance of the 2020 Census;

WHEREAS, an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents’ well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and achieving an accurate and complete count on the nation’s growing and changing population; and

WHEREAS, the Red Bank Borough School District is a trusted institution in the community with close ties to many families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Red Bank Borough School District supports the establishment of a Red Bank Borough Complete Count Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Red Bank Borough School District is committed to partnering with the Red Bank Complete Count Committee to help ensure a full and accurate census count in 2020 and will:

1. Help disseminate information about the census count;
2. Encourage people in our community to participate to help ensure a full and accurate census count; and
3. Support census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count.

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COMPLIANCE – 2000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following COMPLIANCE resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

2015. That the Board approves the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report as submitted by the Superintendent.

2016. That the Board approves the November 2019 Out-of-School and In-School Suspension Report as submitted by the Superintendent.

	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
In-School Suspensions	0	1	0	0	4
Out-of-School Suspensions	0	0	0	0	3

BUSINESS – 3000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following FINANCE resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

3064. TRAVEL

Name	Date/Time	Location	Cost	Theme	Account #
<i>Joe Christiano</i>	1/30/20 & 1/31/20 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Atlantic City, NJ	\$713.00	NJASA Techspo '20	11-000-252-890-T00
<i>Amanda Robles</i>	1/30/20 & 1/31/20 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Atlantic City, NJ	\$718.00	NJASA Techspo '20	11-000-252-890-T00
<i>Cheryl Cuddihy</i>	2/18/20 – 2/21/20 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Arlington, VA	\$1,420.00	Partners in Education 2020 Annual Meeting	11-000-221-500-004

3065. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Pursuant to 18A:6-59 to approve the October 2019 Report of the Treasurer and the October 2019 Report of the Secretary as being in balance for the month.

3066. BUDGET TRANSFERS

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To ratify any budget transfers effective October 2019 per the transfer report.

3067. BILLS PAYMENT

To approve payment of final bills for November 2019 and for bills as of December 2019.

3068. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes from the November 12, 2019 Board of Education Meeting.

3069. DONATION

That the Board accepts with gratitude the generous anonymous donation of \$100 for food service outstanding balances.

3070. SAUCONY RUN FOR GOOD GRANT APPLICATION

That the Board authorizes the submission of the Saucony Run for Good Grant in the amount of up to \$10,000.

3071. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE

That the Board reapproves all previously approved staff travel expenses at the new mileage reimbursement rate of 35 cents per mile retroactive to July 1, 2019.

3072. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AUDIT REPORT 2018 - 2019

That the Board accepts the District's annual audit report with one recommendation in the Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings for the year ending June 30, 2019 as presented and discussed by Mr. Robert Allison, CPA.

3073. 2018-2019 AUDIT

That the Board approves the Corrective Action Plan of the District's annual audit report year ending June 30, 2019.

3074. 2018-2019 AUDIT

That the Board approves the implementation of the Corrective Action Plan of the District's annual audit report year ending June 30, 2019.

3075. FACILITIES CHANGE ORDERS

That the Board approves Tri-Form Construction project Renovations at Multiple Schools changes orders 4/5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and credit change order #10 in the total amount of \$20,061.50.

3076. FACILITIES PAYMENT APPLICATION

That the Board approves Tri- Form Construction application for payment in the amount of \$396,731.76.

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3077. APPROVE USE OF FACILITIES

That the Board approves the one-time and recurring building use requests according to Board Policy, as previously distributed to the Board.

3078. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING AWARD

That the Board approves the District's application for ASBO International's Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

PERSONNEL – 4000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following PERSONNEL resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

- 4089.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Eileen Gorga* as the Board Secretary, Public Agency Compliance Officer, Affirmative Action Officer, Homeless Liaison, and Qualified Purchasing Agent/ School Funds Investor as of November 16, 2019 for the 2019-2020 school year.
- 4090.** That the Board approves a paid leave of absence for *Samantha Avignone* utilizing sick days, effective February 18, 2020 through April 21, 2020 and an unpaid NJ Family Medical Leave of Absence (NJFMLA) effective April 22, 2020 through September 14, 2020.
- 4091.** That the Board rescinds the resolution approving an unpaid NJ Family Medical Leave of Absence (NJFMLA) for *Estefer Acosta*, effective January 2, 2020 through February 19, 2020.
- 4092.** That the Board approves the following as Guest Teachers/Nurses for the 2019-2020 school year.

*Dawn Bodenstein
Colleen Doogan
Christina Juliano*

*Arianna Minaidis
Donald Olesko
Caitlyn Schrader*

Tylar Wengiel

EXTRA WORK/EXTRA PAY

- 4093.** That the Board approves the following preschool teachers/coaches to serve on the Preschool Assessment Committee, effective December 11, 2019 through March 15, 2020, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour, not to exceed six (6) hours each. Account #

*April Matera
Michelle Onori*

*Amanda Rogo
Ashley Schmidt*

Danielle Yamello

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CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM – 6000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

6031. That the Red Bank Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial. Pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-5 (c)(1), the Board hereby approves the resolution.

Funding Source	Location
Student Activities Account	iPlay America, Freehold, NJ (All Grade 4 classes)
Title I Reallocated	Bayshore Waterfront Park, Port Monmouth, NJ (All Grade 2 classes)
Preschool Grant	Seven Presidents' Park, Long Branch, NJ (All YMCA, UMC Preschool classes)
Preschool Grant	Tuzzio Restaurant, Long Branch, NJ (All YMCA Preschool classes)
Preschool Grant	Applebee's Restaurant, Tinton Falls, NJ (All FBC Preschool classes)
Preschool Grant	Jenkinson's Aquarium, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ (All FBC Preschool classes)
Title I Reallocated	Sea Grant Consortium, Sandy Hook, NJ (All Kindergarten classes)
PTO	The Robert Novins Planetarium, Toms River, NJ (PS Special Education classes)

6032. That the Board approves the following Social Worker student and cooperating School Social Worker for a clinical internship placement, effective January 6, 2020 through June 20, 2020.

Student Name	School/ University	School Social Worker	School/Program
Erin Croce	Rutgers University	Maura Connor	Primary/Preschool

6033. That the Board approves the District's participation in Cohort B of the LGBT Inclusive Curriculum Pilot in collaboration with Garden State Equality (GSE) and Make It Better for Youth (MIB4Y), commencing December 11, 2019 through August 1, 2020.

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6034. That the Board approves Trinity Hall students to volunteer at the Primary School during the 2019-2020 school year.
6035. That the Board approves the submission for the 2019 Hess Toy Truck STEM Grant which will provide classrooms with Hess Toy Trucks along with a STEM curriculum learning kit that demonstrates how the toys can be used as learning tools.
6036. That the Board approves the submission of Take Vape Away Grant curriculum for Grades 6-8.

BYLAWS OF THE BOARD – 9000

BE IT RESOLVED by the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the following BYLAWS OF THE BOARD resolution(s) are approved as indicated:

9025. That the Board approves the following policies for second reading and adoption:

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Policy</u>
7440	School District Security
8600	Student Transportation
8630	Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility
8670	Transportation of Special Needs Students

9026. That the Board approves the following regulations for second reading and adoption:

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8600	Student Transportation
8630	Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility

9027. That the Board approves the following policies for first reading:

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Policy</u>
2430	Co-Curricular Activities
2431	Athletic Competition
5200	Attendance
5860	Safety Patrol

9028. That the Board approves the following regulations for first reading:

5200	Attendance
5860	Safety Patrol

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EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – DECEMBER 10, 2019

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ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Anne Amato, Ben Forest, Dom Kalorin, Erik Perry, Ann Roseman, Frederick Stone,
Suzanne Viscomi ABSENT: Jennifer Garcia (arrived 7:04 pm), Janet Jones
ALSO PRESENT: Jared Rumage, Superintendent; Eileen Gorga, Business Administrator/Board Secretary;
Jonathan Busch, Esq.

1. HIB DISCUSSION/REVIEW

- All allegations are reported in Executive Session as per Board Attorney, Mr. Busch.
- Both sides of allegation have a right to come before the Board.
- Mr. Busch explained a recent anti-bullying law to the Board members.

At 7:13 pm Mr. Forest motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, to reconvene in Public Session.

VOICE VOTE:

AYES: Mrs. Amato, Mr. Forest, Mrs. Garacia, Mr. Kalorin, Mr. Perry, Ms. Roseman, Dr. Stone, Ms. Viscomi

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Jones

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Gorga
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary