

RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2020

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Call to Order – 7:10 p.m. – Virtual Meeting

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was advertised as directed by resolution adopted January 2, 2020. Notice of this meeting was published in the *Asbury Park Press* newspaper per code and sent to the Municipal Clerk, Red Bank Borough, within 7 days per code.

Notice is hereby given that the Red Bank Borough Board of Education hereby amends its 2020 annual meeting notice, originally adopted by resolution on January 2, 2020. The schedule contained in the 2020 annual meeting notice remains the same. However, this notice hereby establishes that while Executive Session will still begin at 7:00 pm, the Public Session will begin as soon as the Board returns from Executive Session, but not later than 7:30 p.m. as advertised in the *Asbury Park Press* on January 10, 2020.

Notice is hereby given that future meetings of the Red Bank Borough Board of Education may be held as virtual meetings as advertised in the *Asbury Park Press* on May 7, 2020. Please visit the Board's website at <https://www.rbb.k12.nj.us> for meeting access information and/or location of meeting.

At the commencement of the meetings, the Board is expected to immediately convene to executive session and expects to resume the public portion of its meeting upon its return from executive session. Members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting as they normally do during the public participation sections of the agenda by following the instructions on the website. Formal action will be taken.

Fire exits located in the direction indicated. In case of fire, you will be signaled by bell and/or public address system. If so alerted to fire, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest smoke-free exit.

ROLL CALL

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

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

FLAG SALUTE

Dr. Stone led the Salute to the Flag.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Monthly Student Attendance Report
- B. Monthly Enrollment Report
- C. Monthly Student Disciplinary Report
- D. Monthly HIB Report
- E. Bus Evacuation Drills
- F. General Update

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- Dr. Ramage congratulated 6 staff honorees as Educators of the Year and Exemplary Educators of the Year.
- Dr. Ramage thanked Mrs. Amato for her service as a Board of Education member and wished her luck.
- Dr. Ramage answered board member questions related to his update.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Stone thanked Mrs. Amato for her 3 years on the Board and for the insights she provided to the Board.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Amato reported on the Community Relations Committee and reviewed the recent meeting. Items included the HFA advisement and recent educator awards.
- Ms. Roseman reviewed the December 1, 2020 meeting. Topics included Remote Dashboard being used for remote learning, coaching needs as identified by staff, parent involvement activities and presentations, iReady data presentation and parent portal.
- Mr. Kalorin reviewed the December 8, 2020 Facilities Committee meeting held at the Primary School. Topics included in-person review of Primary School projects, Primary School parking and drainage concepts, Primary School painting and tile replacement, Middle School masonry work and window replacement schedule.
- Ms. Viscomi reviewed the December 8, 2020 Finance Committee meeting. Topics included bus company lawsuits, Pre-k grant schedule, 2021-22 budget process, audit update and obsolete equipment disposal.
- Dr. Stone reported on the Policy Committee and discussed the Bylaw on tonight's agenda for approval.
- Mr. Forest attended the NJSBA Delegate assembly and reviewed the meeting topics.

IV. 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."

V. 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.

VI. ACTION AGENDA

Mrs. Amato motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, to approve the following:

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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:

2118. That the Board approves the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report as submitted by the Superintendent.

2119. That the Board approves the November 2020 Out-of-School and In-School Suspension Report as submitted by the Superintendent.

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Total
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2120. That the Board approves the Bus Evacuation Drill Report as submitted by the Superintendent.

Date of Drill	Time Drill Conducted	School/ Building	Location of Drill	Routes Included in Drill	Principal or Supervisor Assigned to Supervise the Drill
11/9/2020	7:58 a.m.	RB Middle School	MS front parking lot	8091	Maura Harrington, Vice Principal

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:

3166. **BILLS PAYMENT**

To authorize the payment of final bills for November 2020 in the amount of \$1,414,630.09 and for bills as of December 2020 in the amount of \$1,345,573.47.

3167. **APPROVAL OF SECRETARY/TREASURER’S REPORT**

Pursuant to 18A:6-59 to approve the October 2020 Report of the Treasurer and the October 2020 Report of the Secretary as being in balance for the month.

3168. **BUDGET TRANSFERS**

To ratify any budget transfers effective October 2020 per the transfer report.

3169. **DONATION**

That the Board graciously accepts the generous donation of \$3,000.00 worth of winter coats from The Knights of Columbus of Red Bank, evenly distributed among the Middle School, Primary School and the Preschool Education Program.

3170. **DONATION**

That the Board graciously accepts the generous donation of \$1,000.00 from the Red Bank Borough Education Foundation to be used for general school supplies.

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3171. DONATION
That the Board accepts with gratitude the generous donation to 25 preschool families for Christmas Connect from Love Thy Neighbor of the First Baptist Church of Red Bank.
3172. DONATION
That the Board accepts with gratitude a generous gift card donation valued at \$1,500.00 for preschool students families at the YMCA of Greater Monmouth.
3173. AMENDMENT TO LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN 2019-2024
That the Board approves the Minor amendment of the 2019-2024 Long Range Facilities Plan to be consistent with proposed school facilities projects related to Red Bank Primary School and Red Bank Middle School Alyssa Law upgrades. Further, the Board authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group Inc., to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.
3174. PRESCHOOL PROGRAM STATE AID/GRANT APPLICATION 2021-2022
That the Board authorizes the submission of the Preschool Program Grant and application for Preschool Program Aid for fiscal year 2021-2022. Aid application is due in March 2021 and Aid amount will be provided in 2021.
3175. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT (IT)
That the Board approve Timothy Ruotolo to provide IT consulting at the hourly rate of \$39.50, not to exceed \$3,950.00, effective November 23, 2020 through January 15, 2021.
3176. AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 3165 OF THE 11/10/20 BOE MEETING. APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL WORK
That the Board approves Stephen Falcone to provide updates and revisions to report card templates in Genesis not to exceed \$1,500.00
3177. OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT
That the Board approves the attached items as obsolete, beyond repair and/or no longer useful for district purposes and that the Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to dispose of items per Attachment A.

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:

4488. That the Board approves the paid leave of absence Kristyn Finnigan utilizing 44 accrued days from February 24, 2021 through May 2, 2021, and an unpaid New Jersey Family Medical Leave of Absence (NJFMLA) effective May 3, 2021 through June 18, 2021.
4489. That the Board approves the revision to Kim Sullivan's Family Medical Leave of Absence return date to December 14, 2020, originally approved through December 21, 2020.
4490. That the Board approves the revision to Aida Pereira's Family Medical Leave of Absence return date to November 9, 2020, originally approved through November 1, 2020.

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4491. That the Board approves the extension to Michelle Case-Ramalho's Family Medical Leave of Absence to December 17, 2020, originally approved to December 1, 2020.
4492. That the Board approves the request of Michelle Case-Ramalho to be granted three (3) additional paid sick days on December 21, 22 and 23, 2020.
4493. That the Board approves the following professional development tuition reimbursements:

Kathy Kansky	American College of Education M.Ed. in Curriculum & Instruction Course #RES5153 Research Methods Course #DL5013 The Digital Learner 6 Credits @ \$235.00 Fall/Winter 2020	\$1,410.00
Kristen Maiello	Georgian Court University M.Ed. in Education Course #EDC6104 Financial Management 3 Credits @ \$681.00 Fall 2020	\$2,043.00

4494. That the Board approves the following movement on guide effective February 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, as follows:

Kathy Kansky	From: BA+15 Step M	\$72,440.00
	TO: MA Step M	\$74,440.00

EXTRA WORK/EXTRA PAY

4495. That the Board approves all certificated staff members as presenters at parent involvement/education sessions as needed and directed by the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$35.00 per hour for the 2020-2021 school year.

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES- 5000

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

5019. That the Board approves Speech-Language Specialist Aida Pereira to conduct activities related to her research on how Hispanic parents perceive the special education process as part of the Montclair State University Doctoral Program.

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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:

9017. That the Board suspend Bylaw 0131 that requires two readings to adopt a Bylaw or Policy and adopt Bylaw 0164.6 with one reading to be in compliance with the new emergency regulations regarding remote meetings held during a Governor-declared emergency.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC:

Ms. Ellen McArthur – newly elected Board member was present and greeted everyone.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- Mrs. Amato thanked the Board and Administrators for the wonderful experience of being a Board member.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Forest thanked Mrs. Amato for her service.
- Mrs. Garcia thanked Mrs. Amato for her service.
- Mrs. Garcia asked about Internet access and any issues with Chromebooks.
- Mrs. Garcia mentioned there is an opening on the Red Bank Regional HS Board of Education for a Red Bank resident.
- Mr. Laugelli answered Mrs. Garcia's technology questions.

X. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:01 pm Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Mrs. Garcia, to adjourn

VOICE VOTE:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Respectfully submitted:

Eileen Gorga
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary

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Board of Education Meetings 2020

Regular Public Meetings – 7:00 p.m. – Primary School Cafeteria

January 14, 2020	July 14, 2020*** Board Retreat @ 5:00 PM
February 11, 2020	July 28, 2020* ***
March 17, 2020**	August 11, 2020***
April 7, 2020 (Cancelled)	August 25, 2020* ***
April 28, 2020* Public Budget Hearing***	September 8, 2020
May 12, 2020***	October 13, 2020
June 9, 2020***	November 10, 2020
June 23, 2020***	December 8, 2020***
*Indicates 2 nd meeting of the month	January 5, 2021 Reorganization

**6:00 PM Start

***Virtual Meeting

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	Community Relations	Curriculum & Instruction	Facilities & Safety	Finance	Policy
Chairperson	Anne Amato	Ann Roseman	Dominic Kalorin	Suzanne Viscomi	Fred Stone
Members	Anne Amato Laura Camargo Jennifer Garcia Suzanne Viscomi	Ann Roseman Ben Forest Anne Amato Jennifer Garcia	Dominic Kalorin Fred Stone Erik Perry	Suzanne Viscomi Dominic Kalorin Ann Roseman Fred Stone	Fred Stone Anne Amato Ben Forest Suzanne Viscomi
Time	7:30 PM	6:30 PM	9:00 AM	6:15 PM	6:00 PM
	As Needed	Meets 4 th Tuesday	Meets 2 nd Tuesday	Meets Prior to BOE Meetings 2 nd Tuesday	Meets 4 th Tuesday
Location	Board Office	Board Office	Board Office	BOE Meeting Location	Board Office
Meeting Dates	No January Meeting	No January Meeting	No January Meeting	No January Meeting	01/14/20 6:45 PM
	02/25/2020	02/25/2020	02/11/2020	02/11/2020* 5:30 pm	02/25/2020
	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	03/10/2020	03/17/2020*	CANCELLED
	No April Meeting	04/21/2020* virtual meeting	04/21/2020 virtual meeting	CANCELLED	CANCELLED
	05/26/2020	05/26/2020 virtual meeting	05/12/2020 virtual meeting	05/12/2020 virtual meeting	05/26/2020 virtual meeting
	No June Meeting	06/16/2020*	06/09/2020	06/09/2020	06/23/2020 virtual meeting
	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting
	No August Meeting	CANCELLED	08/11/2020	08/11/2020	08/11/2020 08/25/2020
	09/22/2020	09/29/2020	09/08/2020	09/08/2020	09/22/2020
	10/27/2020	CANCELLED	10/13/2020	10/13/2020	10/13/2020 5:30 p.m.
	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	11/10/2020	11/10/2020	As Needed
	12/08/2020	12/01/2020	12/08/2020	12/08/2020	12/08/2020

Negotiations: Ann Roseman, Suzanne Viscomi, Dominic Kalorin (Meets as Needed)

Residency: Ann Roseman, Fred Stone, Suzanne Viscomi (Meets as Needed)

**Indicates difference in usual date or time.*