

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

**MINUTES**

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

**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.

**ROLL CALL**- 7:01 PM

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. Teaching and Learning Update**

- Dr. Ramage shared information with the Board that was sent home to families.
- Dr. Ramage introduced Teaching and Learning Update Presentation given by
- Luigi Laugelli and administrators representing Middle School, Primary School, Preschool, and Special Education populations.

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**II. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Committee Reports:

- Mr. Kalorin reported on the Facilities Committee and reviewed facilities and referendum projects status.  
The Red Bank Police will be using the Primary School parking lot for training on Wednesdays when there are no students in school.
- Ms. Viscomi reported on the Finance Committee. Discussions included bus companies’ final payout, hiring of new staff, progress of audit, Extraordinary Aid award.

Dr. Stone commented there is a lot of work to plan for next week’s opening and he is pleasantly surprised to see the outside work completed at the Primary School.

**III. 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.”

**IV. 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.

**V. ACTION AGENDA**

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

**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:

- 2011.** That the Board approves the 2020-21 Restart and Recovery Plan designed by the District's Restart Committee, reviewed by the Office of the County Superintendent and the Monmouth County Regional Health Commission.

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**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:

**3109. BILLS PAYMENT**

To approve payment of final bills for August 2020 and for bills as of September 2020.

**3110. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY/TREASURER’S REPORT**

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

**3111. BUDGET TRANSFERS**

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

**3112. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

To approve the minutes from the August 11 and August 25, 2020 Regular Session Board of Education Meetings.

**3113. DONATION**

That the Board accepts with gratitude the generous donation of approximately \$300 from Lunch Break for general classroom supplies for Primary School students.

**3114. AWARD TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS 2020-2021**

To award Student Transportation Services contract for the 2020-2021 school year as follows: Bid packages were properly advertised on August 20, 2020; Bid opening was Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Bid specifications were provided to: Durham School Service – Freehold NJ, Jay’s Bus - Lakewood NJ, K & D Bus Service – Somerset NJ, Seman Tov – Long Branch NJ, and Shamrock Stagecoach – Keansburg NJ. Bids were solely submitted by: Seman Tov. The Board awards the routes based on the lowest per diem bid (not the bulk bid discount) as it is the least expensive option Bid Results Below:

|              | CONTRACTOR |
|--------------|------------|
| ROUTE        | Seman Tov  |
| 2021         | \$395.00   |
| 2021 Aide    | \$75.00    |
| 2020 Inc/Dec | \$1.00     |

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| 1617C | Decline to Award |
| UMC1  | Decline to Award |
| UMC2  | Decline to Award |

**3115. TRANSPORTATION AWARD**

To award route 1617D for the 2020-2021 school year to Luz Transport for transportation from Red Bank, NJ to the Red Bank Primary School. Quotations were requested from Briggs Transportation, Luz Transport, and Seman Tov. Luz Transport LLC provided the winning response with a \$215.00 per diem.

**3116. TRANSPORTATION AWARD**

To award route A2123 for the 2020-2021 school year to Luz Transport for transportation from Red Bank, NJ to the Red Bank Primary School. Quotations were requested from Briggs Transportation, Luz Transport, and Seman Tov. Luz Transport LLC provided the winning response with a \$150.00 per diem.

**3117. 2020-2021 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT RENEWALS**

To authorize renewal of the following transportation contracts with the bus companies for the 2020-2021 school year, as listed below:

| Contract Number & Bus Company | Renewal Route | 2020-2021 Per Diem Rate | 180 Days - Total Renewal |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| CS-1: Durham School Services  | CS-1          | \$186.86                | \$33,634.80              |
|                               | CS-2          | \$186.76                | \$33,616.80              |
| M-1: Durham School Services   | PS-1          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | PS-2          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | PS-3          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | PS-5          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
| MS-2: Durham School Services  | MS-1          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | MS-2          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | MS-3          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | MS-4          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |
|                               | MS-5          | \$180.86                | \$32,554.80              |

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| MS-6: Durham School Services                | MS-6   | \$128.72 | \$23,169.60         |
| PS-4: Durham School Services                | PS-4   | \$180.86 | \$32,554.80         |
| MS-8: Seman Tov                             | MS-8   | \$133.64 | \$24,055.20         |
| MS-9,PS-7, & RB-TF2:<br>Jay's Bus Service   | MS-9   | \$110.30 | \$19,854.00         |
|   | PS-7   | \$110.30 | \$19,854.00         |
|   | RB-TF2 | \$239.50 | \$43,110.00         |
| 1314A: Seman Tov                            | 8090   | \$198.15 | \$35,667.00         |
|   | 1314A  | \$219.92 | \$39,585.60         |
| 1314B: Jay's Bus Service                    | MS-7   | \$117.59 | \$21,166.20         |
|   | PS-8   | \$117.59 | \$21,166.20         |
| MS-10,8091,1617B,RB-UM1,& RB-UM2: Seman Tov | MS-10  | \$134.13 | \$24,143.40         |
|   | 8091   | \$185.71 | \$33,427.80         |
| RB-MDC,RB-FBC,RB-MID,&RB-TF: Seman Tov      | RB-FBC | \$226.22 | \$40,719.60         |
|   | RB-TF  | \$239.50 | \$41,662.80         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                |        |          | <b>\$780,381.00</b> |

**3118. TRANSPORTATION AWARD**

To award route M2021 for the 2020-2021 school year to Luz Transport for transportation from Asbury Park, NJ to the Red Bank Middle School. Quotations were requested from Hartnett Transit, Luz Transport LLC, and Seman Tov. Luz Transport LLC provided the winning response with a \$163.00 per diem.

**3119. TRANSPORTATION AWARD**

To award route A2022 for the 2020-2021 school year to Luz Transport for transportation from Neptune, NJ to the First Baptist Church. Quotations were requested from Briggs Transportation, Luz Transport LLC, and Seman Tov. Luz Transport LLC provided the winning response with a \$173.00 per diem.

**3120. REVISION TO APPROVAL OF MEAL PRICES 2020-2021**

That the Board approves the revision of subsidized meal prices approved on June 9, 2020, agenda item 3064 for adult lunch meals from \$3.00 to \$3.10 as per Department of Agriculture adult meal price requirement.

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**3121. NONPUBLIC NURSING SERVICE AID ALLOCATION**

That the Board approves that the Red Bank Borough Board of Education accepts 2020-2021 New Jersey Nonpublic Nursing Service Aid allocation in the District total amount of \$30,167.00 and each nonpublic school allocation as follows:

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Tower Hill School    | \$ 776.00          |
| St. James Elementary | <u>\$29,391.00</u> |
| DISTRICT TOTAL       | \$30,167.00        |

**3122. FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR SERVICES CHAPTERS 192 &193**

That the Board approves that the Red Bank Borough Board of Education accepts 2020-2021 New Jersey appropriations for Chapters 192 and 193 as follows:

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| Chapter 192 | \$51,509.00 |
| Chapter 193 | \$91,046.00 |

**3123. EXTRAORDINARY AID ALLOCATION**

That the Board approves that the Red Bank Borough Board of Education accepts Extraordinary Aid for the 2019-2020 fiscal year in the amount of \$205,639.00.

**3124. ON-SITE FLU CLINICS**

That the Board approves the Rite Aid Flu Clinic to provide on-site flu shots to the Primary School Staff on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, and to hold flu clinics for the Middle School staff and Preschool off-sites staff on dates to be determined.

**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:

**4448.** That the Board approves a leave of absence for *Estefer Acosta* effective September 9, 2020 through October 27, 2020 utilizing a New Jersey Family Leave (NJFLA).

**4449.** That the Board approves a Federal Family and Medical Leave (FMLA) for *Danielle Yamello* utilizing 10 sick days concurrent with the leave, effective September 14, 2020, through September 25, 2020, pending medical documentation.

**4450.** That the Board approves the Superintendent’s Merit Goal Quantitative #1 for the 2020-2021 school year.

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- 4451.** That the Board approves the Superintendent’s Merit Goal Qualitative #1 for the 2020-2021 school year.
- 4452.** That the Board approves the transfer of *Tiffany Fetter* from Primary School general education teacher to Primary School special education teacher, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- 4453.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Franklin Pocasangre, Jr.*, as Middle School custodian (replacing Glenn Tuzzolino), at a prorated annual salary of \$28,400.00 and a prorated annual night differential of \$1,600.00, effective September 14, 2020 (pending completion of a positive criminal history review and completion of all required new hire paperwork) through June 30, 2021. Account #11-000-262-100-105
- 4454.** That the Board approves the revision to *Samantha Avignone’s* leave of absence return date to September 1, 2020, originally approved through September 14, 2020.
- 4455.** That the Board approves the following professional development tuition reimbursements.

|                        |   |            |
|------------------------|---|------------|
| <i>Kristen Maiello</i> | Georgian Count University<br>Master of Education Program<br>Course #EDC 5010<br>School Law<br>3 Credits @ \$681.00<br>Summer 2020                 | \$2,043.00 |
| <i>Kathy Kansky</i>    | American College of Education<br>Curriculum and Instruction<br>Course #C15353<br>Standards Driven Learning<br>3 Credits @ \$235.00<br>Summer 2020 | \$705.00   |

- 4456.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Josie Katz* as Student Assistance Counselor (SAC), effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at the stipulated negotiated contractual stipend of \$8,000.00. Account #11-000-218-104-002
- 4457.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Monique Grable* as a bus aide for the 2020-2021 school year, at the hourly rate of \$15.50. Account #11-000-270-107-001

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**4458.** That the Board approves the following movement on guide effective September 1, 2020.

|                        |                               |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Monique Cabrera</i> | FROM: BA+15 Step G\$56,525.00 |
|                        | TO: BA+30 Step G\$57,525.00   |

**4459.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Tina Sullivan* as Confidential Secretary to the School Business Administrator (replacing Martine Porcello) at a prorated annual salary of \$47,500.00, effective September 23, 2020 (or earlier pending availability and criminal history review) through June 30, 2021. Account #11-000-251-100-000 and 11-000-261-105-000

**4460.** That the Board accepts the resignation of *Megan Saraiva* effective August 28, 2020.

**4461.** That the Board approves *Belem Rojas* as substitute custodian for the 2020-2021 school year at the hourly rate of \$15.00. Account #11-000-262-100-015

**4462.** That the Board approves a Federal Family and Medical Leave (FMLA) for *Stephanie Burd*, effective September 14, 2020, through December 4, 2020.

**EXTRA WORK/EXTRA PAY**

**4463.** That the Board approves the following Middle School staff member's participation in the District DREAM Team for the 2020-2021 school year, not to exceed 25 hours, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$35.00 per hour for teachers. Account #20-275-200-100-SI2

*Shannon Meyers* (Replacing Jermaine Johnson)

**4464.** That the Board approves all Middle School teachers and instructional assistants as substitutes for the District DREAM Team for the 2020-2021 school year, not to exceed 25 hours each, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$35.00 per hour for teachers and \$22.00 per hour for instructional assistants and secretaries. Account #20-275-200-100-SI2

**4465.** That the Board approves all qualified staff members as District translators for the 2020-2021 school year on an as-needed basis at the hourly rate of \$20.00.



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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:

**6024. FEDERAL GRANT SALARY ALLOCATION**

That the Board approves staff members' salary allocation and account numbers charged to federal grants for the 2020-2021 school year per Attachment A.

**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:

**9014. That the Board approves the following policy for the second reading and adoption:**

| <u>Policy #</u> | <u>Policy</u>  |
|-----------------|--|
| 1648.03         | Restart and Recovery Plan – Full-Time Remote Instruction |

**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

**VI. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC- None**

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

- Ms. Roseman appreciates the caution being taken to bring children back to school safely.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS- None**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:04 pm Mr. Perry motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, 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  
Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary