

**RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PUBLIC MEETING  
JULY 23, 2019**

**MINUTES**

Call to Order – 5:00 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 3, 2019. 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.

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**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Anne Amato, Janet Jones, Dom Kalorin, Erik Perry, Frederick Stone, Suzanne Viscomi

ABSENT: Ben Forest (arrived 5:10 pm), Jennifer Garcia (arrived 5:10 pm), Ann Roseman

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Rumage, Superintendent; Debra Pappagallo, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**BOARD OF EDUCATION RETREAT**

The Board reviewed the self evaluation and Board and District goals and set goals for 2019-2020.

**DISTRICT GOALS 19-20**

1. We will demonstrate student growth by providing a safe and stimulating learning environment that offers the proper balance of nurture and academic rigor.
2. Guided by data driven decision making, we will promote shared leadership and instructional practices to ensure seamless transitions from grade to grade and school to school.
3. We will continue to build community spirit in a collaborative effort to unify our educational efforts in a way that supports and connects our past, present and future.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS**

1. Advocate for full funding for the Red Bank Borough Public Schools District.
2. Continue to promote Red Bank Borough Public Schools and engage the community in our schools by improving the home/school/community connection.

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3. Support the implementation of the Strategic Plan of the Red Bank Borough Public Schools District.
4. Explore implementation of capital projects.

At 6:30 pm Mr. Forest motioned, seconded by Ms. Jones, to adjourn the Retreat.

**VOICE VOTE:**

AYES: Mrs. Amato, Mr. Forest, Mrs. Garcia, Ms. Jones, Mr. Kalorin, Mr. Perry, Dr. Stone, Ms. Viscomi  
NAYS: None            ABSTENTIONS: None            ABSENT: Ms. Roseman

**CALL TO ORDER** – 7:01 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Janet Jones, Ann Roseman

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

**I.    RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:01 pm Mr. Perry motioned, seconded by Ms. Viscomi, to convene in Executive Session.

- A. Personnel
- B. Attorney/Client Privilege

**VOICE VOTE:**

AYES: Mrs. Amato, Mr. Forest, Mrs. Garcia, Mr. Kalorin, Mr. Perry, Dr. Stone, Ms. Viscomi  
NAYS: None            ABSTENTIONS: None  
ABSENT: Ms. Jones, Ms. Roseman

**CALL TO ORDER** – 7:39 pm

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**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Anne Amato, Ben Forest, Jennifer Garcia, Dom Kalorin, Erik Perry, Frederick Stone, Suzanne Viscomi ABSENT: Janet Jones, Ann Roseman

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Debra Pappagallo, 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
- B. Monthly Enrollment Report
- C. Monthly Student Discipline Report
- D. Monthly HIB Report
- E. Middle School Schedule Presentation:

Dr. Ramage gave a presentation on the Middle School schedule for 2019-2020 along with J. T. Pierson and Maura Harrington.

- F. The Board welcomed the new Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, Luigi Laugelli, to his first Board meeting.

**III. PRESIDENT’S REPORT - None**

**IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no meetings in July.

**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

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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**

Mrs. Amato motioned, seconded by Mrs. Garcia, 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:

- 2001.** That the Board approves the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report as submitted by the Superintendent.
- 2002.** That the Board approves the June 2019 Out-of-School and In-School Suspension Report as submitted by the Superintendent.

**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:

- 3001. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY/TREASURER’S REPORT**  
Pursuant to 18A:6-59 to approve the May 2019 Report of the Treasurer and the May 2019 Report of the Secretary as being in balance for the month.
- 3002. BUDGET TRANSFERS**  
To ratify any budget transfers effective May 2019 per the transfer report.
- 3003. BILLS PAYMENT**  
To approve payment of additional bills for June 2019 and for bills as of July 2019.
- 3004. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
To approve the minutes from the June 11 and 18, 2019 Board of Education Meetings.

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**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:

- 4001.** That the Board approves the following staff members' revised salaries, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Michelle Case</i>   | \$65,976.00 |
| <i>Mohammed Rahimi</i> | \$42,733.00 |

- 4002.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Jordan Farley* as Middle School Tenure Track Special Education teacher, at a BA Step A annual salary of \$49,845.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-213-100-101-RR2

- 4003.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Amber LoCascio* as Middle School Long-Term Leave Replacement Non-Tenure Track Special Education teacher (for Tricia White), at a BA Step A annual salary of \$49,845.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-213-100-101-RR2

- 4004.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Margaret McNair* as Middle School Tenure Track Special Education teacher, at a BA Step B annual salary of \$50,480.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-213-100-101-RR2

- 4005.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Brittany Mirrione* as Primary School Long-Term Leave Replacement Non-Tenure Track Special Education teacher (for Megan Saraiva), at a BA Step A annual salary of \$49,845.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-212-100-101-RR1

- 4006.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Matthew Schultz* as Middle School Long-Term Leave Replacement Non-Tenure Track Grade 4 teacher (for Lauren Schmitt), at a BA Step A prorated annual salary of \$49,845.00, effective September 1, 2019 through December 22, 2019. Account #11-120-100-101-002

- 4007.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Megan Welch* as Middle School Tenure Track Grade 7 Math teacher (replacing Chris Magnotta), at a BA Step B annual salary of \$50,480.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-130-100-101-002

- 4008.** That the Board approves a paid leave of absence for *Crystal Hackett* utilizing 29 sick and 3 personal days effective November 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, an unpaid leave under Federal Medical Leave Act (FMLA), effective January 1, 2020 through February 25, 2020 and an unpaid

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leave under New Jersey Family Medical Leave Act (NJFMLA), effective February 26, 2020 through April 7, 2020.

- 4009.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Maria Sweeney* as Preschool non-tenure long-term leave replacement teacher (for Crystal Hackett), at a BA Step A prorated annual salary of \$49,845.00, effective November 1, 2019 through April 7, 2020. Account #20-218-100-101-P20
- 4010.** That the Board approves the following Job Description, effective July 24, 2019.  
Systems Administrator
- 4011.** That the Board approves the appointment of *Timothy Ruotolo* as Systems Administrator, at a prorated annual salary of \$64,890.00, effective July 24, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Account #11-000-272-100-000
- 4012.** That the Board approves a \$5,000.00 stipend for *Thomas Schroll*, for building monitor duties at the Red Bank United Methodist Church preschool location, for one additional hour per day while school is in session, for the 2019-2020 school year. Account #20-218-200-110-P20
- 4013.** That the Board approve the abolishment of the following job description:  
Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction
- 4014.** That the Board approve the following job descriptions as follows:  
Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent's Office  
Confidential Executive Secretary to the Superintendent (Revised)
- 4015.** That the Board approve the transfer of *Meliza Lemus* from Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction to the Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent's Office.
- 4016.** That the Board approves the Guest Teachers (Attachment A) effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- 4017.** That the Board approves the following professional development tuition reimbursements.

|                        |   |            |
|------------------------|---|------------|
| <i>Monique Cabrera</i> | Monmouth University<br>ESL Certification<br>Course #ED-550<br>Teaching Diverse Populations<br>3 Credits @ \$718.00<br>Spring 2019 | \$2,154.00 |
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| <i>Emily Vascimini</i> | New Jersey City University<br>ESL Certification<br>Course #ED-550<br>Teaching Diverse Populations<br>3 Credits @ \$708.75<br>Spring 2019 | \$2,126.25 |
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**EXTRA WORK/EXTRA PAY**

**4018.** That the Board approves the following staff members be compensated for up to ten hours each at the stipulated negotiated contracted rate of \$34.00 per hour for summer work: Account #'s (50/50) 11-000-221-110-001 and 11-000-221-110-002

*Cheryl Cuddihy*, Math coach  
*Lucy Lakata*, ESL coach  
*Kate Mills*, ELA coach

**4019.** That the Board approves *Beth Moran's* participation in summer professional development in ELA, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour, not to exceed 12 hours total, effective August 12 and 13, 2019. Account #Title I

**4020.** That the Board approves the participation and compensation for *Sophia Mierzwa* and *Dawn Fowler* to work up to 20 hours each during August 2019, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour to prepare Middle School scheduling. Account #11-000-218-104-002

**4021.** That the Board approves the participation and compensation for *Rosalie Trudell* to work up to 15 hours during July/August 2019, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour to prepare for Primary School student and family needs. Account #11-000-218-104-001

**4022.** That the Board approves all Middle School teachers and instructional assistants who hold a teacher or substitute teacher certification, to serve as before/after school Alternate Classroom Education (ACE) teachers, Monday through Thursday, not to exceed 4 hours per week total, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour effective September 16, 2019, through June 19, 2020. Account #11-190-100-116-002

**4023.** That the Board approves the following appointments for the 2019-2020 school year. Compensation based on the stipulated negotiated contractual stipend of \$2,500.00 for head coaches and \$2,000.00 for assistant coaches. Account #11-402-100-100-002

*John Adranovitz*- Boys Soccer Head Coach  
*Kristen Maiello*- Boys Soccer Assistant Coach  
*Amy Campbell*- Girls Soccer Head Coach

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*Ashley Gill- Girls Soccer Assistant Coach*

*Kristyn Wikoff- Head Softball Coach  
Eric Schwarz- Assistant Softball Coach*

*Isaac Nathanson- Head Baseball Coach  
Pat Hanson- Assistant Baseball Coach*

*Pat Hanson- Boys Cross Country Head Coach  
Chelsey Slater- Girls Cross Country Head Coach*

*Isaac Nathanson- Head Boys Basketball Coach  
Amy Campbell- Head Girls Basketball Coach*

- 4024.** That the Board approves the following staff members as Basketball Game Record/Time Keepers for the 2019-2020 school year. Compensation based on the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour (not to exceed 16 hours per staff member). Account #11-402-100-100-002

*Amy Campbell* *Pat Hanson*

- 4025.** That the Board approves the following staff members as substitute custodians for the 2019-2020 school year at the hourly rate of \$15.00. Account #11-000-262-100-015

*Afsaneh Farkhondehrou* *Tom Schroll* *Eric Schwarz*

- 4026.** That the Board approves the following AVID Site Team members for the 2019-2020 school year not to exceed 7 hours each, at the stipulated negotiated contractual rate of \$34.00 per hour. Account #20-275-200-100-AV2

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|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Amy Campbell</i>    | <i>Alyssa Geary</i>    | <i>Kim Sherman</i>     |
| <i>Erin Carty</i>      | <i>Laura Gioia</i>     | <i>Maria Tollaku</i>   |
| <i>Justine Coppola</i> | <i>Kristen Maiello</i> | <i>Chistina Vlahos</i> |
| <i>Carla Decker</i>    | <i>Sophia Mierzwa</i>  | <i>Lara Wengiel</i>    |

- 4027.** That the Board approves the following staff, their assignment and hourly rate to participate in September Packet Pickup on August 19-20, 2019 not to exceed 10 hours each.

Translator - \$20.00 Per Hour Account #11-800-330-110-000

*Martha Carvajal*

*Laura Lin*

*Magda Timmes*



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*Lissette Nieves*

Nurse - \$34.00 Per Hour                      Respective Salary Accounts  
*Cathy Reardon*  
*Debra Rochford*  
*Marysa Van Patten-Dermond*

**4028.** That the Board approves the following staff, their assignment and rate to participate in September Packet Pickup on August 19-20, 2019 not to exceed 5 hours each. Account #Respective Salary Accounts

Secretary - \$21.00 Per Hour  
*Cruz Roolaart*  
*Gisela Montalvo-Acevedo*  
*Shniece Perry*  
*Maria Lemus*  
*Angela Carney*

**4029.** That the Board approves the appointment and hourly rates for the following Primary School breakfast aides for the 2019-2020 school year. Account #11-000-262-107-001

*Herlinda Montalvo*                      \$13.50  
*Belem Rojas*                              \$13.50

**4030.** That the Board approves a monthly stipend in the amount of \$50 for *Isaac Nathanson*, Athletic Director, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, for the use of email enabled Smartphone device.

**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:

**5001.** That the Board approves an agreement between Red Bank Borough Public Schools and Miseracordia University for Occupational Therapy Level II Fieldwork Placements commencing September 2019.

**5002.** That the Board approves the following Occupational Therapy student and cooperating Therapist for a Level II Fieldwork placement, effective September 5, 2019 through December 20, 2019.

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| Student      | College/University      | Occupational Therapist | School/Program |
|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Gina Neyhart | Misericordia University | Trisha Sugrue          | Pre-K/Primary  |

**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:

**6001.** That the Board approves all walking trips that remain within the town of Red Bank for the 2019-2020 school year. The destination of all walking trips must be previously approved by the Superintendent of the Red Bank Borough Public Schools.

**6002.** That the Board approves Tender Smiles to provide on-site dental care, cleaning, x-rays, fluoride, and sealants as a service to our families on the following dates. Tender Smiles accepts insurance and provides grants for families without insurance.

Middle School October 10, 2019  
Primary School November 18, 2019 and May 27, 2020

**6003.** That the Board approves the Optical Academy to provide on-site eye exams/eyewear as a service to our students and staff. The Optical Academy accepts insurance and provides grants/reduced rates for eye exams/glasses.

Primary School February 10 and 11, 2020  
Middle School February 12, 2020

**6004.** That the Board approves the contract with AVID for \$4,559.00 for the 2019-2020 school year.

**6005.** That the Board approves the submission of a waiver for the Preschool Family Worker requirements for Monmouth Day Care Center and the Community YMCA per 6A:13A-4.6(b)2 for the 2019-2020 school year to the Monmouth County Executive Superintendent of Schools.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Mr. Perry on #4028

ABSENT: Mrs. Jones, Ms. Roseman

At this time newly hired staff was introduced.

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

**IX. OLD BUSINESS - None**

**X. NEW BUSINESS - None**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:11 pm Mrs. Amato motioned, seconded by Ms. Viscomi, to adjourn.

**VOICE VOTE:**

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

NAYS: None            ABSTENTIONS: None            ABSENT: Ms. Jones, Ms. Roseman

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Pappagallo  
School Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary