

**RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PUBLIC MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order** – 7:01 PM – Middle School Media Center

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was advertised as directed by resolution adopted January 5, 2016. 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: Michael Ballard, Ben Forest, Janet Jones, Carrie Ludwikowski, Ann Roseman, Fred Stone, Sue Viscomi      ABSENT: Marj Lowe, Peter Noble

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Debra Pappagallo, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; Peter Sokol, Esq.

**I. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:02 pm Ms. Jones motioned, seconded by Dr. Stone, to convene in Executive Session.

- A. Attorney Client Privilege
- B. Personnel
- C. HIB

**VOICE VOTE:**

AYES: Mr. Ballard, Mr. Forest, Ms. Jones, Ms. Ludwikowski, Ms. Roseman, Dr. Stone, Ms. Viscomi      NAYS: None      ABSTENTIONS: None      ABSENT: Miss Lowe, Mr. Noble

**CALL TO ORDER** – 7:32 p.m.

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**FLAG SALUTE**

Ms. Ludwikowski led the Salute to the Flag.

**II. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- A. HIB - Dr. Ramage reported on one non-HIB incident.
- B. Mary Wyman gave a presentation on AVID which also included student and staff presentations.
- C. Mary Wyman stated that the River Center is making the Education Foundation the beneficiary of its Food Festival.

At 8:04 pm the Board took a short recess.

At 8:12 pm the Board reconvened.

**ROLL CALL**

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ALSO PRESENT: Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Debra Pappagallo, Board Secretary/Business Administrator; Peter Sokol, Esq.

**III. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Ms. Ludwikowski reminded Board members that Committees and meetings are posted on back of agenda.

**IV. HEARING OF PUBLIC**

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.”

- Stacy Sherwood, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, commented on the AVID presentation.

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**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 administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate committee. The members of the Board committee work with Administration and the Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

**VI. ACTION AGENDA**

Ms. Roseman motioned, seconded by Dr. Stone, to accept the following:

**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:

**3009. TRAVEL**

Name	Date/Time	Location	Cost	Theme	Account #
Tiffany Fetter	02/12/16 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	New York, NY	\$165.00	Adapting Reading Units of Study to Support Classrooms Full of ELLs	20-275-200-500-004 Title II
Rosalyn Giallanza	02/12/16 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	New York, NY	\$165.00	Adapting Reading Units of Study to Support Classrooms Full of ELLs	20-275-200-500-004 Title II
Carol Boehm	02/18/16-02/20/16 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	East Brunswick, NJ	\$213.73	NJMEA Annual Conference (NJ Music Education Association)	11-000-221-500-001
Maria Iozzi	03/09/16 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Monroe, NJ	\$188.88	2016 AASA, NJASA, FEA Women’s Leadership Conference	11-000-221-500-0006
Stacy Sherwood	03/09/16 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Monroe, NJ	\$188.88	2016 AASA, NJASA, FEA Women’s Leadership Conference	11-000-221-500-0006

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Brandy Balthazar	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$340.82	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Susan Berrios	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$295.40	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Patricia George	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$275.82	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Alyssa May	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$279.16	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Lucy Oubina	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$259.94	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Maribel Romero	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$287.22	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II
Jody Tyson	06/01/16 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	New Brunswick, NJ	\$269.00	2016 NJTESOL/NJBE 2016 Annual Spring Conference	20-275-200-500-016 Title II

**3010.** To approve the partnership with High Technology High School for one student to conduct a mentorship with the Technology Department, effective February 5, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

**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:

**4014.** That the Board approves a movement on guide for the following staff members effective February 1, 2016.

*Patricia George*                      From:    MA+15 Step 4-5 salary of \$54,170.00  
    To:        MA+30 Step 4-5 salary of \$55,170.00

*Marianne Ivanicki*                From:    MA Step 8-9 salary of \$54,190.00  
    To:        MA+15 Step 8-9 salary of \$55,190.00

*Maria Tollaku*                        From:    BA Step 2-3 salary of \$49,680.00  
    To:        BA+30 Step 2-3 salary of \$51,680.00

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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:

- 6006.** 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	Date(s)
Student Activities Fund	Red Bank Regional HS, Red Bank, NJ (MS Chinese language students)	02/08/2016
Donation	Museum of Jewish Heritage, New York NY (Grade 8 students)	02/18/2016 (Previously approved for 01/25/2016 – rescheduled due to snow day)
AVID	Barclay Center, Brooklyn, NJ (AVID students)	03/22/2016
AVID	Lunch Break, Red Bank, NJ (AVID students)	04/02/2016 & 04/09/2016
PreK Grant	Deep Cut Gardens, Middletown, NJ (One MDCC PreK class)	05/10/2016
PreK Grant	Deep Cut Gardens, Middletown, NJ (Two MDCC PreK classes)	05/11/2016
Student Activities Fund	SunBank Center Circus, Trenton, NJ (Grade 5 students)	05/20/2016
PTO/Parents/ Student Activities Fund	Sandy Hook, NJ (Grade 3 students)	05/24/2016
Student Activities Fund/Students	Pocono Valley Resort, Reeders, PA (Grade 8 students)	06/09/2016
Student Activities Fund	Count Basie Field, Red Bank, NJ (Grades 4 & 5 field day)	06/10/2016

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**6007.** That the Board approves the following student teacher and cooperating teacher, effective January 20, 2016 through May 10, 2016.

Student Teacher	College/University	Cooperating Teacher	School/Grade
Alma Velsco	Brookdale CC	Erika Goldman	Primary/Kind.
Alma Velsco	Brookdale CC	Jessica Sevillano-Pierson	Middletown/PreK

**6008.** That the Board approves the following pre-service teacher to observe and conduct a math lesson under the supervision of Dr. Pam Brett between February 8, 2016 and April 30, 2016.

Sonali Kamath, Rutgers University/NJIT, Newark, Urban Teacher Education Program

**6009.** That the Board approves the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Report as presented to the Board.

**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:

**9002.** That the Board approves the following policies and regulations for second reading and adoption:

<b><u>Policy #</u></b>	<b><u>Title of Policy</u></b>
P 3322 Option #1	Staff Member’s Use of Personal Cell Phone/Other Communication Devices
P 4322 Option #1	Staff Member’s Use of Personal Cell Phone/Other Communication Devices
P&R 5330	Administration of Medication
P 5339	Screening for Dyslexia
P 5615	Suspected Gang Activity
P 8540	School Nutrition Programs
P 8550	Outstanding Food Service Charges
P 8820	Opening Exercises/Ceremonies

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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NAYS: None                      ABSTENTIONS: None                      ABSENT: Miss Lowe, Mr. Noble

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

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

- Dr. Stone stated that last year the AVID program was on the cutting block, and after tonight's presentation, good thing it wasn't cut.
- Mr. Ballard asked questions about AVID's student requirements such as GPA and how effectiveness and efficiency is measured. Ms. Sherwood stated there are rubric's on the student application. If the GPA is too high or too low, they do not qualify for the program, however, selection can only be on those who apply to be in the program. Dr. Ramage stated he will gather more information and present it to the Board.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- Ms. Roseman expressed frustration about the Charter School's ability to state whatever numbers they want and no one challenges them. The numbers are wrong. When we provide data to demonstrate the Charter School is wrong, no one in the media goes back to question the Charter School on validating their numbers.
- Mr. Forest congratulated the Leadership of the Board of Education and Staff on a wonderful response to the Charter School Expansion and that the community buy-in is amazing.
- Mr. Ballard commented on the district's Black History Month celebration and the Charter School's lack of diversity. He stated it's a great idea to expose the public to our diversity and we should have some kind of presentation publicly to thank the African American Staff.

At this time, Mr. Ballard made a motion to make a public presentation to thank the African American Staff. Mrs. Ludwikowski seconded this motion.

- Ms. Viscomi stated that this should be open to all ethnicities.
- Ms. Roseman suggested there should be a monthly recognition every month and that it would be great if Administration could set up presentations every month.
- Ms. Jones respectfully asked Mr. Ballard to withdraw his motion and have Dr. Ramage come up with a plan on how he wants to handle it.
- Mr. Ballard stated that October 15 through November 15 is Hispanic Heritage and recognition was paid and agreed the group should be recognized. Black history is a look back but we should recognize the people that are here now.

At this time Ms. Jones made a motion to table Mr. Ballard's prior motion until Dr. Ramage presents a plan. This motion was seconded by Ms. Roseman.

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NAYS: None            ABSTENTIONS: None            ABSENT: Miss Lowe, Mr. Noble

Motion was tabled.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION #2**

At 8:37 pm Mr. Forest motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, to reconvene in Executive Session.

**VOICE VOTE:**

AYES: Mr. Ballard, Mr. Forest, Ms. Jones, Ms. Ludwikowski, Ms. Roseman, Dr. Stone,  
Ms. Viscomi    NAYS: None    ABSENTIONS: None    ABSENT: Miss Lowe, Mr. Noble

**XI. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION – 9:07 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Michael Ballard, Ben Forest, Janet Jones, Carrie Ludwikowski, Ann Roseman,  
Fred Stone, Sue Viscomi    ABSENT: Marj Lowe, Peter Noble

ALSO PRESENT: Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Debra Pappagallo, Board Secretary/Business  
Administrator; Peter Sokol, Esq.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:08 pm Ms. Jones motioned, seconded by Ms. Roseman, to adjourn.

**VOICE VOTE:**

AYES: Mr. Ballard, Mr. Forest, Ms. Jones, Ms. Ludwikowski, Ms. Roseman, Dr. Stone,  
Ms. Viscomi    NAYS: None    ABSENTIONS: None    ABSENT: Miss Lowe, Mr. Noble

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Pappagallo  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary