

**RED BANK BOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR VOTING MEETING**

TUESDAY, November 14, 2023 7:00 PM

MINUTES



Red Bank Borough Board of Education

Dominic Kalorin, President

Erik Perry, Vice President

Christina Bruno

Jennifer Garcia

E. Pamela McArthur

Ann Roseman

Paul Savoia

Dr. Frederick Stone

Suzanne Viscomi

Jared J. Ramage, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Anthony Sciarrillo
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

MISSION

Driven by the needs of our children, we provide a safe, nurturing, and challenging learning environment for every student, every day.

VISION

We believe our children should Dream BIG.
We will inspire. We will challenge.
They will achieve.

1. 7:02 p.m. Call to Order by the Board President and Reading of the 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, 2023. Notice of this meeting was published in the Asbury Park Press newspaper and sent to the Municipal Clerk, Red Bank Borough, within 7 days per code.

At the commencement of the meetings, the Board is expected to immediately convene an 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 per the agenda.

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Need for Remote: Notice is hereby given that future meetings of the Red Bank Borough Board of Education may need to be held virtually. Visit www.rbb.k12.nj.us for access information and/or location changes.

The Red Bank Borough Board of Education shall allow members of the public to make public comments by audio, or by audio and video, if the remote public meeting is held over both audio and video, during the meeting. In advance of the remote public meeting, the Board shall allow public comments to be submitted to the Business Administrator by electronic mail using publiccomment@rbb.k12.nj.us and in written form sent to Red Bank Board of Education, 76 Branch Avenue, Red Bank, NJ 07701. Public comments submitted by 4:00 PM the Monday before the remote public meeting through electronic mail or by written letter shall be read aloud and addressed during the remote public meeting in a manner audible to all meeting participants and the public. The Board imposes a five minute time limit on individual comments with the same limits placed on the reading of written comments. Bylaw 0164.6 found on the District website has more details on Remote Public Board Meetings.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SCHEDULE

7:00 PM – Red Bank Primary School Cafeteria

Bold Indicates Change

January 3, 2023	July 25, 2023 (Retreat @ 5:00 PM) RBMS
January 17, 2023	August 15, 2023 (RBMS)
January 31, 2023	August 29, 2023
February 21, 2023	September 12, 2023
March 14, 2023	October 10, 2023
April 25, 2023 Public Budget Hearing	November 14, 2023
May 16, 2023 (RBMS)	December 12, 2023
June 6, 2023	January 2, 2024 Reorganization
June 20, 2023	

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ms. Christina Bruno, Ms. Jennifer Garcia, Mr. Dominic Kalorin, Ms. Pamela McArthur, Mr. Erik Perry, Ms. Ann Roseman, Mr. Paul Savoia, Ms. Suzanne Viscomi

ABSENT: Dr. Frederick Stone,

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Jared Ramage, Superintendent; Anthony Sciarrillo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Danielle Pantaleo, Esq.

3. FLAG SALUTE

At 7:02pm, Mr. Kalorin led the Salute to the Flag.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:03pm, Ms. McArthur motioned, seconded by Ms. Garcia and carried on voice vote to convene in Executive Session.

a. HIB

At 7:19pm, Mr. Perry motioned, seconded by Ms. Garcia and carried on voice vote to convene in Public Session.

5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Ramage congratulated the board members on the election results. Election results will be certified in the coming weeks. Dr. Ramage has provided updates on the following items:

a. October 2023 Student Attendance Report

GRADES	% ATTENDANCE
Preschool-Grade 3	95.98
Grades 4-8	96.45

b. October 2023 Enrollment Report

SITE	3F	4F	KF	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	TOTAL
RBMS							119	119	121	124	116	599
RBPS	12	15	98	113	136	115						489
UMC	19	28										47
FBC	15	19										34
MDCC	22	24										46
TOTAL	68	86	98	113	136	115	119	119	121	124	116	1215
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c. October 2023 Suspension Report

GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	GRADE 4	GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8	TOTAL
0	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	6

d. October 2023 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Report

CASE	# OF STUDENTS	# OF VICTIMS	STATUS
RBPS1	73245, 73132	73245	Non-HIB
RBMS1	73195, 72526	73195	HIB
RBMS2	11291, 72526	11291	HIB
RBMS3	73826, 73982, 74023	73826	Non-HIB
RBMS4			HIB
RBMS5	73351, 11343	73351	Non-HIB
RBMS6	10912, 72581	10912	HIB
RBMS7	10912, 10961	10912	HIB

e. October 2023 Bus Evacuation Drills

DATE OF DRILL	TIME DRILL CONDUCTED	SCHOOL/ BUILDING	LOCATION OF DRILL	ROUTES INCLUDED IN DRILL	PRINCIPAL OR SUPERVISOR ASSIGNED TO SUPERVISE DRILL
10/06/23	8:30 a.m.	Red Bank Primary School	Front Loop/Driveway	PS1, PS3, PS5, PS6, 1314, 1617, & 2122	Ms. Iozzi/Ms. Vlahos
10/09/23	8:45 a.m.	First Baptist Church	Side entrance of building	FBC	Ms. Valdivia
10/10/23	8:50 a.m.	United Methodist Church	UMC driveway entrance	UMC	Ms. Valdivia

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Community Relations Committee – No meeting
- Curriculum & Instruction Committee – No meeting.
- Policy Committee – No meeting
- Facilities & Safety Committee
 - Mr. Kalorin shared that our facilities are in constant use. Weekends are being utilized by Red Bank Recreation Department.

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- Primary School hallway tiles were not installed correctly. Contractor has investigated. The tiles will be removed, floor will be self-leveled and new tile will be installed. The tile does not appear to be the issue.
- Primary School playground rubber surface is being installed.
- Met with the YMCA regarding a potential partnership for an Early Childhood Learning Center.
- Middle School HVAC project is nearing completion. All units have been installed. Ability to control the units has been a challenge. Can control individually. Unable to control with software program.
 - Discussion occurred during board meeting regarding the noise level of the HVAC system in the Primary School cafeteria. The units were a bit noisy. Units were from Canada as options limited. Each classroom is equipped with FM system to assist with voice amplification.
- Middle School Site Improvements are in final stages of design. Project is expected to be completed in this summer.
 - Discussion occurred during board meeting regarding the usage of the site for the public. The grounds would be open outside of school hours. There would be no lights. There would be no artificial turf. Sod would be the playing surface for the fields.
- Finance Committee
 - Ms. Viscomi shared that our NJ ARM/TERM investment account continues to provide good interest rates. Interest on capital reserve balance remains with capital reserve.
 - Budget timeline is set.
 - Audit fieldwork has been completed. Auditors are in the process of documentation and compiling the financial statements.
 - Committee discussed the upcoming projects at the Primary and Middle School.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Kalorin did not have anything to report.

8. HEARING OF THE 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.”

9. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

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 and, when necessary, other school district administrators. If the Superintendent 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.

10. ACTION AGENDA

Upon the motion of Mr. Perry, it was moved to approve the following action agenda items. Items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any board member.

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: **NONE**

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:

- 2028.** That the Board approves the October 2023 Suspension Report as submitted by the Superintendent.
- 2029.** That the Board approves the Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying Report as submitted by the Superintendent on October 10, 2023.
- 2030.** That the Board approves the October 2023 Bus Evacuation Drills Report as submitted by the Superintendent.
- 2031.** That the Board approves the acceptance of the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum scores within the five areas of NJQSAC (Instruction and Program, Fiscal Management, Governance, Operations and Personnel) and approves the submission of a District Improvement Plan (DIP) in the area of Instruction and Program.

BUSINESS – 3000

BOARD SECRETARY’S CERTIFICATION

Anthony Sciarrillo, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certifies that no line item has been over-expanded in the month of September 2023 in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Anthony Sciarrillo

School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PAYROLL CERTIFICATION

Payroll Certification for the period of October 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023

October 15, 2023	\$721,036.79
October 30, 2023	\$722,790.36

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:

3190. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

That the Board approves the minutes from the October 10, 2023 Regular Session of the Board of Education.

3191. BILLS PAYMENT

To authorize the payment of final bills for October 2023 in the amount of \$2,653,478.24 and for bills as of November 2023 in the amount of \$1,309,347.48.

3192. BUDGET TRANSFERS

To ratify any budget transfers effective September 2023 per the transfer report.

3193. APPROVAL OF SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Pursuant to 18A:6-59 to approve the September 2023 Report of the Treasurer and the September 2023 Report of the Secretary as being in balance for the month.

3194. PRESCHOOL PROGRAM AID

That the Board authorizes the submission of the Preschool Enrollment Projections, the 2024-2025 Annual Preschool Operational Plan/Update and application for Preschool Program Aid for 2024-2025.

3195. MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE IMPROVEMENTS

That the Board authorizes the submission of the Site Improvements Project at Red Bank Middle School to the New Jersey Department of Education, for review and Department approval of an "other capital project" with no state funding and amendment of the long-range facilities plan to be consistent with the project.

Further, the Board authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group Inc, to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

Be it further Resolved; the Board authorizes the School Business Administrator to solicit bids for the Site Improvements Project.

3196. COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN and M1 FORM

That the Board approves the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M1 submittal of 2023-2024 and request that a copy be included in the permanent minutes and filed with the New Jersey Department of Education.

WHEREAS, the Red Bank Board of Education required maintenance activities are reasonable to keep the school facilities open and safe for use or in its original condition to maintain the validity of warranties; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan is complete in compliance with New Jersey Administrative Code 6A:26A, and that "the plan includes activities and expenditures for each school facility that qualify as required maintenance pursuant to subchapter 2 of these rules and are reasonable to ensure such facilities are kept open and safe for use or in its original condition and maintain the validity of warranties."

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan documents the costs associated with activities that occurred in the previous year, the cost of activities that may occur in the current year, and the cost of activities that are anticipated to occur next year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Red Bank Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan

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and M-1 form for the Red Bank Board of Education in compliance with Department of Education requirements as per Attachment A.

3197. TRAVEL

NAME	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	COST	THEME	ACCOUNT #
Megan McGann	Self-paced	Online	\$495.00	IBCCES Certified Autism Specialist (CAS)	20-275-200-500-PS1-F24
Danielle Daddazio	Self-paced	Online	\$495.00	IBCCES Certified Autism Specialist (CAS)	20-275-200-500-PS1-F24
Jared Ramage	1/24/24 - 1/26/24	Atlantic City, NJ	\$1022.93	Techspo '24	11-000-230-895-000
Luigi Laugelli	1/24/24 - 1/26/24	Atlantic City, NJ	\$1015.32	Techspo '24	11-000-230-895-000
Joe Christiano	1/24/24 - 1/26/24	Atlantic City, NJ	\$1024.19	Techspo '24	11-000-252-890-T00
Carol Boehm	2/22/24 - 2/24/24	Atlantic City, NJ	\$566.35	NJ Music Educators Assoc. State Conf.	20-275-200-500-PS1-F24
Joanne Fiore	12/6/23	Rutgers, Piscataway	\$208.88	PSW Model to Identify Specific Learning Disabilities	11-000-219-592-003
Alexa Constantini	12/6/23	Rutgers, Piscataway	\$208.88	PSW Model to Identify Specific Learning Disabilities	11-000-219-592-003
Kim Sherman	12/6/23	Rutgers, Piscataway	\$208.88	PSW Model to Identify Specific Learning Disabilities	11-000-219-592-003

3198. BUDGET CALENDAR

That the Board approves the budget calendar for the 2024-25 school year budget per Attachment B.

3199. DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE ITEMS

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 as per Attachment C.

3200. DONATION

That the Board accepts with gratitude the generous donation of backpacks, hygiene products, and school supplies valued at approximately \$1,000.00 from the United Way of Monmouth and Ocean Counties to be distributed to Primary School students and families.

3201. TRANSPORTATION AWARD

To award route LS1107 for the 2023-2024 school year to Luz Transport for transportation from Tinton Falls, NJ to Red Bank Primary School. Quotations were requested from Briggs, Durham School Service, Father N Son, Luz Transport, and New Destination. Luz Transport provided the lowest response with a \$193.00 per diem.

3202. ADDITIONAL STATE AID

That the Board accepts the additional state aid to be used for Student Mental Health Programs under the FY24 Appropriations Act, PL.2023, c.74. The Red Bank Borough Public School District's State Aid has been increased by a total of \$200,000.

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:

- 4205.** That the Board approves the following Guest Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year pending a positive criminal history clearance and completion of all personnel paperwork and requirements.

Christopher Anderson	Lara de Bruijn	Alexander Delesky
Georges Fiori	Lisa Ilaria	Francesca Korkokios
Mona Pollard	Laura Samuels	Khamyia Spence
Madison Suarez	Michael Villarraga	

- 4206.** That the Board approves the revision to the paid leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) for Toni Merritt effective September 1, 2023 through December 12, 2023 using sick days (originally approved effective September 1, 2023 through November 1, 2023).
- 4207.** That the Board approves an unpaid leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) for Aria Slipek effective November 1, 2023 through November 29, 2023 and a revision to the unpaid leave under the New Jersey Family Leave Act (NJFLA) effective November 30, 2023 through February 28, 2024 (originally approved effective October 24, 2023 through January 22, 2024).
- 4208.** That the Board approves the revision to the appointment of Christina Flynn as a Grade 2 Long Term Leave Replacement teacher (replacing Aria Slipek) at an MA Step 1 prorated annual salary of \$55,617.00 effective September 1, 2023 through February 28, 2024. Account # 11-120-100-101-001
- 4209.** That the Board approves the monthly stipend of \$50 for Rosalinda Morales-Vargas effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, for the use of an email enabled smartphone.
- 4210.** That the Board approves the resignation of Marisol Samol, Red Bank Primary School Social Worker, effective October 27, 2023.
- 4211.** That the Board approves the appointment of Pamela Talvacchia-Gerber as a Middle School Special Education Long Term Leave Replacement teacher (replacing Kelly Lukoff) at a MA Step 9 prorated annual salary of \$67,075.00 pending completion of all personnel paperwork

and requirements effective November 27, 2023 through January 22, 2024. Account # 11-213-100-101-RR2

- 4212.** That the Board approves the revised job description of Supervisor of Preschool Education Programs as per Attachment D.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

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

- 6041.** That the Board of Education deems student participation in curriculum related field trips to be educationally beneficial. Pursuant to regulation 6A:23A-59c)(1), the Board hereby approves the resolution.

FUNDING SOURCE	LOCATION
DOE Grant	Six Flags Great Adventure, Jackson, NJ (Grade 8)
PEA Grant	Applebees, Tinton Falls, NJ (FBC and PS Preschool classes)
PEA Grant	Jenkinson’s Aquarium, Pt. Pleasant, NJ (FBC and PS Preschool classes)
ARP Grant	Ellis Island, New York, NY (Grade 7)

BYLAWS, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS 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:

- 9022.** That the Board approves the following policies for second reading and adoption:

- 2270 Religion in the Schools
- 3161 Examination for Cause
- 3212 Attendance
- 3324 Right of Privacy
- 4161 Examination for Cause
- 4212 Attendance
- 4324 Right of Privacy
- 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
- 5116 Education of Homeless Children and Youths
- 8500 Food Services

- 9023.** That the Board approves the following regulations for second reading and adoption:

- 3212 Attendance
- 4212 Attendance
- 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
- 5116 Education of Homeless Children and Youths

- 9024.** That the Board approves the abolishment of the following policies:

- 8540 School Nutrition Programs

8550 Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Bill

Ms. Garcia asked for clarification regarding the dates policy items. Dates are updated once approved. Adopted date will reflect the date when adopted by the Board.

AGENDA CONSENT VOTE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION approve all Action Consent items as noted in all Sections of this agenda as appropriate and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RED BANK BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION authorize the administration to execute all necessary documents.

Motion by Mr. Perry and seconded by Ms. Roseman.

AYES: Ms. Christina Bruno, Ms. Jennifer Garcia, Mr. Dominic Kalorin, Ms. Pamela McArthur, Mr. Erik Perry, Ms. Ann Roseman, Mr. Paul Savoia, Ms. Suzanne Viscomi

NAYS: NONE ABSTENTIONS: #3190 – Ms. Ann Roseman ABSENT: Dr. Frederick Stone

11. **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC** - NONE

12. **OLD BUSINESS** - NONE

13. **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. McArthur asked if test scores presentation could be shared. Will be discussed during next board meeting.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:54pm, Ms. Garcia motioned, seconded by Ms. McArthur and carried on voice vote to Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Sciarrillo
School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary



Dreaming BIGGER 2019-2024

Goal 1: Maximize Student Growth

Goal 2: Foster A Positive Organizational Culture & Climate

Goal 3: Resource Management

Goal 4: Data-Driven Decision Making

Goal 5: Technology For Personalized Learning

Dream BIG... We'll Help You Get There!

DISTRICT GOALS

1. We will promote student growth and academic achievement for all learners by providing a safe, equitable, and student-centered learning environment that offers the proper balance of nurture and academic rigor.
2. We will ensure seamless transitions between grade levels and school sites, including High School, through home-school communications, community engagement, parent involvement and education, High School articulation and the use of best practices in social-emotional learning and soft skills development.
3. Implement community school elements to promote equity and access that allows all students the opportunity to maximize their academic, athletic, artistic, and social potential.

BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS

1. Monitor the implementation of the current Strategic Plan and goals of the Red Bank Borough Public School District, as well as design a new 5-year Strategic Plan with community input.
2. Continue to strengthen engagement in the school community by remaining responsive to student, staff, and community feedback.
3. Advocate for a single public school district in the Borough of Red Bank to ensure the effective use of state and local funds, promote a unified community, and optimize learning for children of Red Bank.
4. Strengthen Board of Education member training.

2023 BOE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

	COMMUNITY RELATIONS	CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION	POLICY	FACILITIES & SAFETY	FINANCE
CHAIR	Jennifer Garcia	Ann Roseman	Fred Stone	Dominic Kalorin	Suzanne Viscomi
MEMBERS	Christina Bruno E. Pamela McArthur Suzanne Viscomi	Paul Savoia Jennifer Garcia Fred Stone	OPEN E. Pamela McArthur Erik Perry	Erik Perry Fred Stone E. Pamela McArthur	Dominic Kalorin Ann Roseman Fred Stone
TIME	7:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	9:00 AM	6:30 PM
LOCATION	BOE Office	BOE Office	BOE Mtg Location	BOE Office	BOE Mtg Location
MEETING DATES	No Jan Meeting	No Jan Meeting	01/17/23	No Jan Meeting	01/17/23
	02/28/23	02/28/23	02/21/23	02/28/23	02/21/23
	Canceled	03/28/23	Canceled	03/14/23	03/14/23
	Canceled	04/25/23	04/25/23	04/25/23	04/25/23
	05/23/23	05/23/23	Canceled	05/16/23	Canceled
	Canceled	Canceled	06/06/23	06/20/23	06/06/23
	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting	No July Meeting
	Canceled	08/22/23	08/15/23	08/15/23	08/15/23
	09/26/23	09/26/23	09/12/23	09/12/23	09/12/23
	Canceled	Canceled	10/10/23	10/10/23	10/10/23
	Canceled	Canceled	Canceled	11/14/23	11/14/23
	12/19/23	12/19/23	12/12/23	12/12/23	12/12/23

Negotiations: Ann Roseman (Chair), Dominic Kalorin, Fred Stone (Meets as Needed)

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