### RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION

River Vale, New Jersey 07675
REGULAR MEETING
ROBERGE ANNEX
FEBRUARY 7, 2023
MINUTES

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### CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Rosini called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, the Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting has been sent to all school offices, officially designated newspapers, filed with the Township Clerk and posted in the Board of Education Office, forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Assor, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Berkowitz, Mrs. Pintarelli,

Mr. Rosini, Mrs. Senande, Mr. White

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Signore, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Ippolito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

3 district teachers

### **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Rosini mentioned that the Buildings & Grounds Committee had just taken a tour of the new addition at Holdrum Middle School earlier this evening which was impressive.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON**

- ➤ Buildings & Grounds Mrs. Berkowitz indicated that the Committee toured the new addition at Holdrum earlier this evening and stated she thought it was absolutely amazing and feels the possibilities for the school are endless in the new space and pictures and updates have not done it justice.
- > Communications & Policies None
- > Curriculum & Technology None
- > Finance Mrs. Pintarelli reminded Committee members there would be a meeting at 6:00pm on February 8<sup>th</sup> to meet with Auditors.
- > Negotiations Mr. Rosini advised that the Committee had met with the RVAA and they have come to an agreement on the new contract to be in effect from 2023 to 2026. That new contract will be approved later in this Agenda.
- > Personnel None

#### **COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Committee
February 7, 2023	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
February 28, 2023	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
March 14, 2023	6:00 PM	Finance
April 18, 2023	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
May 2, 2023	6:00 PM	Personnel
June 13, 2023	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
August 29, 2023	6:00 PM	Buildings & Grounds
September 12, 2023	6:00 PM	Curriculum & Technology
October 17, 2023	6:00 PM	Communications & Policies
November 21, 2023	6:00 PM	Negotiations
December 19, 2023	6:00 PM	Finance
January 2, 2024	6:00 PM	Finance

### PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS committed to encouraging the citizens of River Vale and employees of the River Vale School District to speak directly to Board Trustees. In order to facilitate this communication, residents and employees are requested (1) to sign in before speaking; (2) to maintain an appropriate sense of decorum; and (3) to limit their remarks to no more than five minutes. The Board will also take under advisement the written comments and opinions of non-residents that are submitted to the Board Secretary. Being mindful of its responsibility to maintain the orderly conduct of meetings, the Board retains the right to rule on such matters as the speaker's right to address the Board, as well as the appropriateness of the subject being presented. The Board's decision in such matters is final.

The Board also reminds all members of the public that while it subscribes, without reservation, to the principle of keeping the community informed, by policy and law, it cannot allow public discussion of personnel matters, nor can Trustees comment on any current or pending litigation. If a matter concerning an employee of the River Vale Public Schools is of interest or concern to a resident, the matter should be referred to the responsible building Principal or the Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

Meeting opened to public comments at 7:05 P.M.

**Public comments:** 

None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:05 P.M.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Signore discussed several student-centered programs that support positive school culture. She mentioned the Kindness Assemblies and the Walk in my Shoes Assembly which were sponsored by the PTA. Superintendent Signore also talked about an upcoming presenter that will speak to each grade level at Holdrum Middle School. The Superintendent announced a parent workshop that will help parents support their children in navigating social conflict. The virtual workshop will take place on February 15 at 7:00 PM. More information, including the link to join the event, can be found on the district website, school websites, social media pages, and GoGreen folder.

### **BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Ms. Ippolito reminded all Board Members that the School Ethics forms must be completed and signed copies of the Code of Ethics and Contract Acknowledgments need to be returned as well.

#### **GENERAL RESOLUTIONS**

G1. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Minutes
from the January 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

G2. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Minutes
from the January 24, 2023 Closed Session Meeting.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### G3. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the District's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2023-2024 school year; and

WHEREAS, the River Vale Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students and the participation in SEMI would not provide a cost benefit to the District based on the projection of the District's available SEMI reimbursement for the 2023-2024 budget year;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the River Vale Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Bergen an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2023-2024 school year.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

## G4. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Special Education out-of-district placement tuition costs for the 2022-2023 school year as follows:

Student Id#	Program	LEA	Tuition	Duration
20292164	Shepard School	Private	\$28,654.99	January-June
			\$91,665.00	
20281180	Sage Alliance	Private	(pro-rated)	January-June

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### G5. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the River Vale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") that the terms, stipulations and conditions as established in the Settlement Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") between the Board and the Parents of Student ID #20292164, whose name is on file in the Superintendent's office, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board. The Board President and Business Administrator/ Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mr.	Mr.
	Assor	Austin	Berkowitz	Pintarelli	Senande	White	Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### G6. MOTION BY Mrs. Berkowitz SECONDED Mrs. Assor BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorizes the disposal/recycling of the following books/textbooks at Holdrum Middle School:

Title of Book/Textbook	Publisher	ISBN#	Qty	Condition	Date of Publication
	Hold, Rinehart			Good to	
World History	and Winston	0-03-068526-5	45	Fair	2006
3	Holt, Rinehart				
World History	and Winston	0-03-068526-5	15	Poor	2006
	Holt, Rinehart				
World History	and Winston	0-03-068526-5	53	Good	2006
US History Beginnings	Holt, Rinehart				
to 1877	and Winston	0-03-041212-9	17	Fair/Poor	2007
US History Beginnings	Holt, Rinehart				
to 1877	and Winston	0-03-041212-9	15	Poor	2007
US History Beginnings	Holt, Rinehart				
to 1877	and Winston	0-03-099547-7	10	Poor	2009

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### **BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

B1. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively
approves the revised bills list dated January 31, 2023 as follows:

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$	456,822.98
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$	0.00
Fund 20 – Voided Checks	-	\$	0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$	0.00
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$	0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$	6,396.94
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$	2,075.57
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$	0.00
Fund 90 – Trust & Agency	-	\$1	,699,917.29
Fund 91 – Merchants Account	nt-	<u>\$</u>	0.00
Total		\$2	,165,212.78

4.5	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

B2. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively
approves the revised purchase orders and adjustments for the period dated January
31, 2023 in the amount of \$660,930.69.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

B3. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively
approves the transfer of funds for the month ending January 31, 2023 in the amount
of \$1,843,897.00 as set forth below:

### Transfer of Funds Month Ending January 31, 2023

			FROM	ТО
T431	23-11-000-262-420-30-14-106	EQUIPMENT REPAIRS - RES ANNEX	(\$2,140.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-261-420-30-14-000	RA - BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$0.00	\$2,140.00
T445	23-11-000-262-420-40-14-108	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS - RES	(\$6,775.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-262-420-40-14-107	CONTRACTED IMPROVEMENTS - RES	\$0.00	\$6,775.00
T447	23-11-000-262-622-40-14-000	R-ELECTRICITY EXPENSE	(\$16,346.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-266-300-20-14-000	H-SECRTY INSTALL/PURCH PROF SV	\$0.00	\$16,346.00
T455	23-11-000-261-420-20-14-000	H- BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	(\$3,600.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-261-420-30-14-000	RA - BLDG REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$0.00	\$3,600.00
T459	23-11-000-223-320-10-17-000	PURCH. PROF. SERVICES	(\$700.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-320-20-17-000	HMS - PURCHASED ED SERVICES	\$0.00	\$700.00
T460	23-30-000-400-339-10-11-000	REFERENDUM PURCH PROF SERVICES	(\$123,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-30-000-400-450-10-11-000	HARD COST CONTINGENCY	(\$1,690,836.00)	\$0.00
	23-30-000-400-450-10-11-008	ASBESTOS ABATEMENT	\$0.00	\$123,000.00
	23-30-000-400-450-20-11-017	HMS - REFERENDUM HARD COSTS	\$0.00	\$1,690,836.00
T462	23-11-000-251-340-10-11-000	BUS OFFICE/PURCH TECH SERVICES	(\$500.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-251-590-10-11-000	BUS. OFFICE/OTHR PURCH SRVCS	\$0.00	\$500.00
	TOTALS			
	FROM:		(\$1,843,897.00)	
	TO:			\$1,843,897.00

Note: Transaction Date 1/31/23

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### B4. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the bills list dated February 7, 2023 as follows:

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$ 820,846.50
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	<b>₩</b> .0	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	•	\$ 92,797.56
Fund 20 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	=:	\$ 230,290.08
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust Acct.	$(\underline{\cdot},\underline{\cdot},\underline{\cdot})$	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 0.00

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Total	\$1,14	3,934.14
Fund 91 – Merchants Account-	\$	0.00
Fund 90 – Trust & Agency -	\$	0.00
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund -	\$	0.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

## B5. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the purchase orders and adjustments for the period dated February 7, 2023 in the amount of \$0.00.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

## B6. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, retroactively approves the Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls Manual for the period January 3, 2023 through the 2024 Reorganization Meeting.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	✓	✓	✓	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

## B7. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the following Travel and Conferences for the staff indicated below for professional improvement or development, for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023:

Employee	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
		School Based Behavioral			
		Threat Assessment			
Adam Kennis	RES	Management Training	Virtual	4/20/2023	\$0.00
		School Based Behavioral			
		Threat Assessment			
Stephen Wren	RES	Management Training	Virtual	3/23/2023	\$0.00
		School Based Behavioral			
		Threat Assessment			
Laura Barnette	RES	Management Training	Virtual	4/20/2023	\$0.00
April Callas	HMS	Year 3 Cohort Meeting	PHHS	3/29/2023	\$0.00
		Year 3 Leadership Plan			
Kathleen Keller	WES	Presentation	PHHS	3/29/2023	\$0.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	1	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### B7a.

Name	School/Dept.	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost
		NJSBA 2023 School Finance			
Cheryl Berkowitz	BOE	Conference	Virtual	3/1/23	\$50.00

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED			✓				

## B8. MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED Mrs. Pintarelli BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the, Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approves the following school-sponsored Trips and Assemblies for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023:

School	Grade	Teacher	Trip/Assembly	Location	Date
WES	Grade 3	Kelly Reilly	Mayo Performing Arts Center	Morristown, NJ	March
	Grades 6-8				
HMS	(Robotics Team)	Andrew Eisler	Liberty Science Center	Jersey City, NJ	February
RES	Grade 5	Marilena LoVerso	Tenafly Nature Center	Tenafly, NJ	June

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the River Vale Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") is desirous of establishing the new terms, conditions and salaries of the members of the River Vale Administrators Association (hereinafter referred to as "RVAA"); and

WHEREAS, the RVAA is also desirous of establishing the new terms, conditions and salaries for employment in the River Vale Public School District; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of memorializing the terms and conditions of their agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby ratifies and affirms the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement, between the Board and the River Vale Administrators Association (RVAA) for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary/Business Administrator to act, on behalf of the Board, with regard to the Final Agreement by and between the Board and the RVAA.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

P2. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the
appointment of the following district Aide(s) for the 2022-2023 school year, pending
completion of the Criminal History Review process, as set forth below:

Employee	Location/ Dept.	Position	Number of Days	Hours Per Day	Step	Hourly Rate	Account No.
Geralyn Ruvo	WES	SpEd LLD Aide	5	5.75	1	\$17.00	11-204-100-106-60-11-000

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							,

P3. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, retroactively approves
a revision of the following faculty members for the extra-compensation positions for
the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year for the amounts as set forth below:

GROU	P "B" - STUDENT	ACTIVITIES			
		Location /		Staff	
	Position	Description	Compensation	Member	Account No.
		Holdrum			
B5	Golf Club	(Split Position-2)	366.00	Erin Rudolph	11-401-100-100-20-11-041

	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
	Assor	Austin	Berkowitz	rintarein	Senanue	vv iiite	KOSIIII
AYE	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

P4. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the paid
medical leave of absence for staff member #002151 to begin on or about May 30,
2023 through on or about June 19, 2023, followed by an unpaid Family Medical
Leave of Absence beginning on or about June 20, 2023 through on or about
November 27, 2023.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	1	1	✓	<b>V</b>	<b>√</b>	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### P5. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, rescinds the resignation of Bracha Rand, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

# P6. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the change in FTE, with benefits, for the following Child Study Team staff member for the 20222023 school year effective February 16, 2023 through June, 30, 2023, as set forth below:

1	Employee	Degree/Step	From FTE	Salary	To FTE	Salary	Account No.
	Bracha Rand	MA+30/12	0.90	\$79,357.50	0.80	\$70,540.00	11-000-219-104-10-11-043

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

# P7. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the change in FTE, without benefits, for the following Child Study Team staff member for the 2022-2023 school year effective February 16, 2023 through June 30, 2023, as set forth below:

Employee	Degree/Step	From FTE	Salary	To FTE	Salary	Account No.
Mary Kurpiel	MA/4	0.50	\$32,742.50	0.70	\$45,839.50	11-000-219-104-10-11-074

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

P8. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, rescinds the resignation
of Ashly Hunken, Woodside Special Education ABA Aide.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

P9. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, retroactively accepts,
with regret, the resignation of James Esposito, Woodside School Special Education
Aide, effective January 26, 2023.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

P10. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the
Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, retroactively approves
an unpaid leave of absence for Elizabeth Courtney, Woodside Special Education
Aide, on January 23, 2023 for a total of one (1) unpaid day.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>√</b>	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### P11. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, advises pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, 18A:16-17.1 and 52:14-17.46.14, that unless an employee waives health insurance coverage, the employee shall contribute to the cost of their health insurance coverage in the amounts required by law, or any applicable collective negotiations agreement, whether said contributions are a percentage of the health insurance premium based upon their salary range, or a percentage of their annual base salary, as determined by the health insurance plan in which the employee is enrolled.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	1	1
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### P12. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves ESS Northeast, LLC, with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute teacher, secretary and substitute aide services to the district for the 2022-2023 school year.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	✓	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

### P13. MOTION BY Mrs. Senande SECONDED Mrs. Berkowitz

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Northern Region Educational Services Commission with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute aide services to the district for the 2022-2023 school year.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS - GENERAL ITEMS

THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS committed to encouraging the citizens of River Vale and employees of the River Vale School District to speak directly to Board Trustees. In order to facilitate this communication, residents and employees are requested (1) to sign in before speaking; (2) to maintain an appropriate sense of decorum; and (3) to limit their remarks

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to no more than five minutes. The Board will also take under advisement the written comments and opinions of non-residents that are submitted to the Board Secretary. Being mindful of its responsibility to maintain the orderly conduct of meetings, the Board retains the right to rule on such matters as the speaker's right to address the Board, as well as the appropriateness of the subject being presented. The Board's decision in such matters is final.

The Board also reminds all members of the public that while it subscribes, without reservation, to the principle of keeping the community informed, by policy and law, it cannot allow public discussion of personnel matters, nor can Trustees comment on any current or pending litigation. If a matter concerning an employee of the River Vale Public Schools is of interest or concern to a resident, the matter should be referred to the responsible building principal or the Superintendent of Schools by telephone, letter or email.

Meeting opened to public comments at 7:11 P.M.

**Public comments:** 

None

Meeting closed to public comments at 7:11 P.M.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None

**NEW BUSINESS** 

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

### MOTION BY Mr. White SECONDED BY Mrs. Senande that the February 7, 2023 Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Austin	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Kelly Ippolito

Board Secretary/School Business Administrator