Regular Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2024

The meeting can be viewed in its entirety here.

Ms. Kang called the Regular Monthly Meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. There were no members of the public present.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley
Also Present: Dr. Murphy, Louise Napaolitano

FLAG SALUTE/MISSION STATEMENT/OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Ms. Kang conducted the flag salute. Ms. Brown read the mission statement, and Mrs. Napolitano read the Open Public Meetings Act Notice.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - No comments

REPORTS

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Murphy thanked everyone and wished Dr. Bernice well in his new role.

BOARD SECRETARY

Mrs. Napolitano thanked the Board for approving her attendance for the NJASBO Annual Conference. The agenda has reorganization items that include approving various professional services and yearly district appointments. The final budget with revised state aid, qualified purchasing agent, surplus funds to Capital Reserve account, ESEA grant funds, Shared Service Agreement with the town for the SLEO III officers, IDEA grant, Region V Budget, rescinding the lease in Oradell for Region V, and the lease for St. Therese in Cresskill are on the agenda for approval this evening.

PRESIDENT

Ms. Kang thanked Dr. Murphy. The Board Retreat is in the process of being scheduled.

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Ms. Moran made a presentation on the district's language arts curriculum. Updated New Jersey Student Learning Standards have been adopted by the State Board of Education and will be implemented in September 2024. Most updates related to language arts are minor and include rubrics and assessments in the areas of writing. The committee reviewed a three-year revision plan for language arts through 2026. Over the summer, new revisions to the current K-6 Reading & Writing curriculum will be implemented. The committee discussed concerns regarding the language arts and the new math program for grades 4 and 5. River Edge will continue to collaborate with Oradell to pilot this new math program. Teachers will receive appropriate professional development. An evaluation system for feedback on the math program is being considered for staff. Expanding the new math program to additional grades will be considered during the school year.

FINANCE & FACILITIES

The committee discussed the revised budget, summer projects, investments, and Region V lease/budget. Summer projects include rear step repair at New Bridge Center, installation of the Cherry Hill School playground, and the abatement of one classroom floor in each school.

A. REORGANIZATION ITEMS

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the following **Reorganization** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for action:

1. **Approval of Board Secretary and Custodian of Public Records**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Louise Napolitano as Board Secretary and Custodian of Public Records (OPRA) for the 2024-2025 school year.

2. **Approval of Insurance Broker**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Eifert, French & Company of Tenafly, New Jersey as the Board Broker of NESBIG insurance fund for the 2024-2025 school year.

3. **Approval of Board Auditor**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Gary W. Higgins of PKF O'Connor Davies of Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey as Board Auditor for the 2024-2025 school year.

4. **Approval of Board Attorneys**

BE IT RESOLVED that the River Edge Board of Education appoints the law firm of Fogarty & Hara, Esqs. of Fair Lawn, New Jersey as the Board Attorney, at the hourly rates of $175 Partner, $155 Associate, and $125 Clerk until December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education appoints the law firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC of Oakland, New Jersey, at the hourly rates of $175 per hour for all attorneys and $90 per hour for law clerks and paralegals for the 2024-2025 school year.

5. **Approval of Bond Counsel**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Wilentz, Goldman, and Spitzer of Wood Bridge, New Jersey as Bond Counsel for the 2024-2025 school year.

6. **Approval of School Architect**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves DiCara Rubino, Architect of Record, of Wayne, New Jersey at the hourly rates of $175 Principal, $165 Senior Associate Architect, and $150 Project Architect Engineer, for the 2024-2025 school year.

7. **Approval of Treasurer of Schools**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Antoinette Kelly as Treasurer of Schools for the 2024-2025 school year.

8. **Approval of District Physician**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Dr. Ann DeAngelo, MD of Old Tappan Pediatrics, of Old Tappan and Bergenfield, New Jersey as District Physician at a rate of $4,000 for the 2024-2025 school year.

9. **Approval of Valley Medical Group for Employee Physicals**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Valley Medical Group to provide employee physicals for the 2024-2025 school year.

10. **Approval of Asbestos, Hazard Emergency Response Company**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Ramm Environmental of Fair Lawn, New Jersey to act as the designated facilitator for asbestos, hazard emergency response act at a rate not to exceed $1,000 each and Right to Know, at a rate of $1,500 for the 2024-2025 school year.

11. **Approval of Pest Management Services**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Alliance Pest Services of Tinton Falls, New Jersey as the Pest Management Service contractor for the 2024-2025 school year.

12. **Approval of McKinney-Vento Liaison**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Dr. Evan Jaffe, Director of Special Services, as the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Liaison for the 2024-2025 school year.

13. **Approval of Integrated Pest Management Coordinator/IPM Designee**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves David Cabrera, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, as the Integrated Pest Management Coordinator/IPM Designee for the 2024-2025 school year.

14. **Approval of Right-to Know Officer**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves David Cabrera, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, as the Right-to-Know Officer for the 2024-2025 school year.

15. **Approval of ADHERA Manager**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves David Cabrera, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, as the ADHERA Manager for the 2024-2025 school year.

16. **Approval of Water Quality Manager**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves David Cabrera, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, as the Water Quality Manager for the 2024-2025 school year.

17. **Approval of School Safety Specialist**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Dr. Nicholas Bernice, Superintendent of Schools, as the School Safety Specialist for the 2024-2025 school year.

18. **Approval of Attendance Officer**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Louise Napolitano, Business Administrator, as the Attendance Officer for the 2024-2025 school year.

19. **Approval of 504 Officer**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Christine Moran, Director of Curriculum and Instruction as the 504 Officer for the 2024-2025 school year.

20. **Approval of District Testing Coordinator**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Nevin Werner, Supervisor of STEAM and Assessment as the District Testing Coordinator for the 2024-2025 school year.

21. **Approval of 2024-2025 Evaluation Rubric for Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the use of the Stronge model as a rubric to evaluate certified staff members during the 2024-2025 school year.

22. **Approval of Frontline Technologies**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves a three year contract with Frontline Technologies for applicant tracking, absence management, technology, professional growth, and substitute management system for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of $25,110.71.

23. **Approval of Eastern Data Comm Inc. Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the contract with Eastern DataComm Inc. for Telephone Maintenance, LENS Support, Paging Support, Video Surveillance Support and Cellular Booster Annual Maintenance for the 2024-2025 school year at a total cost of $31,595.

24. **Approval of 2024-2025 Out-of-District Student Tuition**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 tuition for out-of-district students attending River Edge Schools as follows:

Grade	Out-of-District Tuition
Kindergarten	$14,061
Grades 1-5	$14,299
Grade 6	$14,504
Multiple Disabled (10 month)	$57,555
Autistic (10 month)	$108,099

25. **Approval of Legal Depositories for Banks Deposits/Withdrawals**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to invest school district funds within statutory limitations; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education designates Columbia Bank as the bank for deposits and withdrawals for the General Account, Payroll Account, Payroll Agency, Summer Enrichment Account, Student Activities Accounts, Unemployment Accounts and Region V Account; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the authorized signatures on the above accounts of designated administrators, as recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

26. **Approval of 2024-2025 District Travel Mileage Reimbursement**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the district travel mileage reimbursement to $0.47 per mile as per the N.J. Circular 20-02-OMB.

27. **Approval to Pay Bills Between Board Meetings**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education authorizes the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to pay bills between board meetings, for the 2024-2025 school year.

28. **Approval of 403b and 457 Third Party Plan Administrator**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the OMNI Group as the third party plan administrator for the District's 403b and 457 retirement plans for the 2024-2025 school year.

29. **Approval of Soliciting Sales to Employees for 403b and 457 Retirement Plans**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the following business entities to solicit sales to district employees for 403b and 457 retirement plans for the 2024-2025 school year:

- Aspire Financial Services
- Equitable (Formally AXA)
- Security Benefit
- Union Central Life Insurance Company
- MetLife

30. **Approval of 2024-2025 Account Signatures for Petty Cash Reimbursements**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education authorizes Office Account Signatures to the following individuals to approve the 2024-2025 Petty Cash Reimbursements:

- Louise Anne Napolitano, Board Secretary/Business Administrator
- Dr. Nicholas Bernice, Superintendent of Schools

FURTHER, that the maximum allowable amount per warrant be established at $125.00 providing all necessary claims are found to be in order according to the law.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Ms. Crespo to approve **Reorganization Motions #1-30.**

Yes: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
No: None
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley

C. ADMINISTRATIVE/POLICY ITEMS

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the following **Administration/Policy** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for action:

1. **Approval of Fire Drills - June 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the completion of the following emergency drills for June 2024 as follows:

Cherry Hill School	June 11, 2024 Fire Drill June 18, 2024 Shelter in Place
Roosevelt School	June 16, 2024 Shelter in Place June 17, 2024 Fire Drill

2. **Approval of HIB's**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying findings and decision of the Interim Superintendent.

RS #006.1-23/24
RS #006.2-23/24
RS #007-23/24

3. **Approval of ARP Safe Return Plan**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the attached ARP Safe Return Plan update which will be posted on the district website and is on file in the Board office.

4. **Approval of 2021-2024 District Lead Testing Program Statement of Assurance**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education reapproves the District Lead Testing Program Statement of Assurance 2021-2024 for the Chief School Administrator inclusive of the 2023-2024 school year and submitted to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Motion by: Ms. D'Alessandro Seconded by: Ms. Brown to approve **Administration/Policy** Motions #1-4.

Yes: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
No: None
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley

D. CURRICULUM/EDUCATION - No items
E. BUILDING/GROUNDS ITEMS : No items

F. FINANCE/GRANTS/GIFTS

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the following **Finance/Grants/Gifts** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for action:

1. **Approval of the Revised 2024-2025 Budget**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the revised 2024-2025 Budget which reflects Stabilized School Budget Aid of $232,268 for the 2024-2025 school year as follows:

	Budget	**Local Tax Levy**
Total General Fund	$22,510,912	$17,845,443
Total Special Revenue Fund	$ 1,346,067	n/a
Total Debt Service	$ 1,400,038	$ 1,126,844
Total	$25,257,017	

2. **Approval of Purchasing Agent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education designates a Purchasing Agent.

WHEREAS, the recent changes to the Public School Contracts Law gave Boards of Education the ability to increase their bid threshold up to $44,000; **and**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3A, permits an increase the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold: **and**

WHEREAS, A.C**.** 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as Qualified Purchasing Agent; **and**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the River Edge Board of Education in the County of Bergen, in the State of New Jersey hereby establishes its bid threshold at $44,000; **and**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body hereby appoints Louise Anne Napolitano as the Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A: 18A-2b, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the River Edge Board of Education.

3. **Approval of Bills and Payroll Warrants**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the bills and claims dated June 26, 2024 totaling $957,043.78 including checks #12847 through #12935. Payrolls dated May 15, 2024 and May 31, 2024, totaling $1,347,769.71 issued therefore, a copy of such warrants list be included as part of these minutes.

4. **Approval of Transfers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the budget transfers for the 2023-2024 school year as of May 31, 2024.

5. **Approval of Board Secretary and Treasurer's Report**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for the period ending May 31, 2024.

6. **Approval of Chapter 47**

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the River Edge Board of Education intends to renew, award, or permit to expire the following contracts previously awarded by the

Board of Education. These contracts are, have been, and will continue to be in full compliance with all state and federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A:18. et.seq, NJAC Chapter 6A:23A, and Federal Procurement Regulations 2CFR Part 200.317 et. Seq.

7. **Approval of Discards**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the outdated discards on file in the board office to be sold on GovDeals.com or recycled.

8. **Approval to Deposit Surplus Funds into Reserve Account**

WHEREAS, NJAC 6A:23A-14.3 and 14.4 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, **and**

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by Board resolution, **and**

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated current year surplus into their Capital Reserve account and Maintenance Reserve Account at year end, **and**

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education has determined that to designate surplus for the year end June 30, 2024 as follows:

- Maintain a Fund Balance not-to-exceed the state mandated 2% cap plus allowable adjustments
- Plus an additional $500,000 to be appropriated in the 2025-2026 Budget
- The excess above these amounts is to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account in an amount not to exceed the maximum allowable amount which is defined by the districts Long Range Facility Plan

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the River Edge Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

9. **Approval of Salary Payment for Post Dismissal Instruction Academy Using Title Funds**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves all salaries paid for the Post Dismissal Instructional Academy for Cherry Hill School students be charged to the Title I Grant for the 2024-2025 school year (if available).

10. **Approval of 2024-2025 ESEA Grant Application**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the submission of the ESEA Grant application for the 2024-2025 school year as follows:

Title	Amount
Title I	$37,685.00
Title II-Public	$ 8,414.00
Title II - Non-Public	$ 6,595.00
Title III - Public	$18,626.00
Title III - Non-Public	$ 2,202.00
Title III - Immigrant Public	$ 2,902.00
Title III - Immigrant Non-Public	$ 477.00
Title IV Public	$ 5,606.00
Title IV Non-Public	$ 4,394.00

11. **Approval of Bergen County 192/193 Special Services**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the agreement with Bergen County Special Services (BCSS) to provide remedial and auxiliary services to eligible students attending non-public schools located in River Edge. BCSS will provide services as set forth in NJSA 18AA:45 and NJSA 18A:14-1, as required under Chapters 192 and 193 for the 2024-2025 school year. Such services shall be limited to examination and classification, compensatory, supplemental and speech services, including English as a second language, and home instruction.

12. **Approval of Bergen County Technical Schools Technology Shared Service Agreement**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the Shared Service Agreement for Technology Support Services between the River Edge Board of Education and

Bergen County Technical Schools Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year for the period beginning on July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 for services that will consist of technology support services to the River Edge School District as needed at the contracted hourly rate.

13. **Approval of Agreement with Phoenix Advisors, LLC**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the agreement with Phoenix Advisors, LLC of Bordentown, New Jersey to conduct the Continuing Disclosure Survey and to provide disseminating services at a rate of $1,350 for the 2024-2025 school year.

14. **Approval of Digital Copier Contract**

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education has requested and received a detailed proposal for the replacement of multifunctional copiers; **and**

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education has selected to lease nine (9) new Canon digital copiers from United Business Systems (UBS) under NJ State Contract M2075; **and**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the lease agreement with Municipal Canon Financial with lease terms in the amount of $1,767.29 per month for 60 months.

15. **Approval of Professional Development**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves a facilitator to provide professional development for curriculum work and summer professional development..

Presenter	Description	Cost	Account
Patty McGee Literacy Consultant	Grades K-3 Writing Grades K-6 Reading	$10,000.00	ARP ESSER Accelerated Learning Salaries
Bill Jackson Enjoy Math LLC	NJSLS Implementation of Math	$2,430.00	ARP ESSER Accelerated Learning Salaries
Dr. Denis Sheeran	Mathematics Consulting	$3,000.00	ARP ESSER Accelerated Learning Salaries

16. **Approval of Special Law Enforcement Officer III Shared Services Agreement**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the Shared Service Agreement for Special Law Enforcement Officer III between the River Edge Board of Education and the Borough of River Edge for the 2024-2025 school year for the period beginning on July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 for services that will consist of two Special Law Enforcement Officers hired by the Borough and assigned to the school district.

17. **Approval of Educational Data Services**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education authorize the contract with Educational Data Services for services in connection with the cooperative bidding for supplies and other categories as mutually agreed upon for the 2024-2025 school year at a fee of $3,320.00.

18. **Approval of General Education Out-of-District Tuition Students**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the out-of-district paid tuition students entering Cherry Hill School for the 2024-2025 school year as per agreed contract:

Grade	Number of Students
Kindergarten	1
Third	1
Fifth	1

*Transportation and extra services not provided

19. **Approval of School Tax Payment**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the proposed school tax payment schedule for the 2024-2025 school year.

20. **Approval of Acceptance and Submission of 2024-2025 IDEA-B Grant**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the acceptance and submission of the application for the 2024-20245 IDEA-B Grant as follows:

Grant	Amount
Basic IDEA Grant	$178,069

Basic Non-Public	$223,109
Preschool IDEA Grant	$18,041
Preschool Non Public	$0

Motion by: Ms. Brown Seconded by: Ms. D'Alessandro to approve **Finance/Gifts/Grants** Motions #1-20.

Yes: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
No: None
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley

G. PERSONNEL

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the following **Personnel** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for Action:

1. Approval of Appointments

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the appointment of the following personnel, at a salary on file in the Superintendent's office, pending criminal history record check, employment verification, and completion of paperwork in accordance with N.J.P.L. c.5.

	Name	Position	Assignment	Effective Date
a.	Stacey Kaley *(replacing #009296)*	Leave Replacement 6th Grade Teacher	Cherry Hill School	September 1, 2024
b.	Amanda Lewandowski *(replacing #202168)*	5th Grade Teacher	Cherry Hill School	September 1, 2024
c.	Su-Ming Teo *(replacing #202159)*	LDTC Step 21 MA+15	District	September 1, 2024

2. Approval of Summer Custodial Assistants

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education post approves summer custodial assistants to commence on June 24, 2024 through August 2, 2024 for a maximum of 40 hours

per week, pending criminal history record check, employment verification, and completion of paperwork in accordance with N.J.P.L. c.5.

Name	Hourly Rate
Timothy Cheung	$16.50
Sunghoon Lee	$16.00
Michael Onorato	$16.00
Alexander Sharifian	$16.00
Arrianna Cruz Solis	$16.00
Jonah Cruz Solis	$16.50

3. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Tenured Teachers**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the employment of tenured teachers in the River Edge Education Association (REEA) for the 2024-2025 school year as per the list on file in the District Office.

4. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Tenured Support Staff**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the employment of tenured support staff in the River Edge Education Association (REEA) for the 2024-2025 school year as per the list on file in the District Office.

5. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Tenured Buildings & Grounds Staff**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the employment of tenured buildings and grounds staff in the River Edge Education Association (REEA) for the 2024-2025 school year as per the list on file in the District Office.

6. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Tenured Administrators**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the employment of tenured administrators for the 2024-2025 school year as per the terms and conditions of the River Edge Administrators' and Supervisors' Association Agreement.

Name	Position
Denise Heitman	Principal

Michael Henzel	Principal

7. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Tenured Supervisor**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the employment of a tenured supervisor for the 2024-2025 school year as per the terms and conditions of the River Edge Administrators' and Supervisors' Association Agreement.

Name	Position
Nevin Werner	Supervisor of STEAM and Assessment

8. **Approval of Business Administrator Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints Louise Napolitano as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the River Edge School District for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this employment agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Executive County Superintendent, according to standards adopted by the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:7-8(j).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Louise Napolitano for the position of School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is on file in the Board office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Interim Superintendent to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Louise Napolitano.

9. **Approval of Director of Special Services Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints Dr. Evan Jaffe (hereinafter referred to as "Dr. Jaffe"), as the Director of Special Services for the River Edge School District beginning on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Dr. Jaffe for the position of Director of Special Services for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is on file in the Board office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Dr. Jaffe.

10. **Approval of Director of Curriculum and Instruction Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints Christine Moran (hereinafter referred to as “Ms. Moran”), as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the River Edge School District beginning on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Ms. Moran for the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is on file in the Board office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Ms. Moran.

11. **Approval of Region V Director of Programs and Services Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints Lisa Bernardo (hereinafter referred to as “Mrs. Bernardo”), as the Region V Director of Programs and Services for the River Edge School District beginning on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Mrs. Bernardo for the position of Region V Director of Programs and Services for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is on file in the Board office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Mrs. Bernardo.

12. **Approval of Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds Contract**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") appoints David Cabrera (hereinafter referred to as “Mr. Cabrera”), as the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds for the River Edge School District beginning on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Mr. Cabrera for the position of Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is on file in the Board office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Mr. Cabrera.

13. **Approval of Re-Appointment of Non-Bargaining Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 school year salaries of the non-bargaining employees which are on file in the Board office.

14. **Approval of Workshops**

BE IT RESOLVED that the River Edge Board of Education approves conferences/workshops with travel reimbursed at the statutory rates per NJOMB guidelines.

	Name/School	Conference/Workshop	Date(s)	Cost to District
a.	Louise Napolitano, Board Office	ASBO International Conference Nashville TN	September 18-20, 2024	$849.00

15. **Approval of 2024-2025 Part-Time/Full-Time Salary Guide/Substitute Rates**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the salary guide for substitutes (teacher, nurse, custodian, summer custodian) as well as part-time/hourly Employee Salary Schedule for the 2024-2025 school year which are on file in the Board office.

16. **Approval of 2024-2025 ABA Salary Guide**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the salary guide for ABA Aides 2024-2025 school year which are on file in the Board office.

17. **Approval of 2024-2025 Staff Transfers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves a change of assignment for the following personnel for the 2024-2025 school year.

			Effective

Name/Position	From	To	Date
Wendy Naimaister, Physical Education	Roosevelt School	Cherry Hill School	September 1, 2024
Ryan Schmid, Physical Education	Cherry Hill School	Roosevelt School	September 1, 2024
Dawn Maccaquano District Bookkeeper	Region V	Cherry Hill School	August 1, 2024

18. **Approval of District Personnel**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following staff members will be designated as District Personnel for the 2024-2025 school year.

Kismet Bohajian	Lara Kane
Nicole Campbell	Mariana Marinich
Mary Anne Crudello	Namjeong Ryu
Nichol DelRosso	Kate Stehn

19. **Approval of Summer Hours for 12-Month Employees**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the summer hours beginning June 24, 2024 through August 30, 2024 for 12-month employees.

20. **Approval of Emergent Hiring**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Dr. Nicholas Bernice, Superintendent for emergent hiring of staff for the months of July and August.

21. **Approval of New Staff Orientation Presenters**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education, approves the following staff members as presenters for River Edge Learning Academy for Learning (R.E.A.L.) New Staff Orientation, with preparation and presentation time as follows:

Name	Hours	Rate
Ashley Adimando	Up to 12 hours	$75/hr.

Kaitlyn DeVasto	Up to 12 hours	$75/hr.

22. **Approval of Summer Academy Volunteers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves volunteers for 2024-2025 Summer Academy from June 24- July 19, 2024.

Name	**Name**
Emily Aguilar	Ethan Lai
Paolo Baudone	Hongci Liu
Sofia Calderon	Brooke Lozano
Xander Chinigo	Margaret Pepe
Rida Desai	Thomas Raskin
Haley Dorney	Bhavya Talreja
Favian Gallo	Parnika Thota
David Kuchar	Madison Wayne
Lauren Kuchar	

23. **Approval of Extended School Year Volunteers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves volunteers for 2024-2025 Extended School Year from June 24-July 19, 2024.

Elle Byers	Eric Oh

24. **Approval of Extended School Year Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the staff at their agreed upon contractual hourly rate for the Extended School Year Program June 24-July 19, 2024 from 8:00AM-1:00PM.

Employee Number	**Position**

#202270	Paraprofessional

25. **Approval of Rescission of Extended School Year Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the rescission of the following staff member for Extended School Year.

Employee Number	Position
#202208	Paraprofessional

26. **Approval of Resignations**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education accepts, with regret, the following resignations:

	Employee Number	Position	Effective Date
a.	#202159	Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant	July 31, 2024
b.	#009717	Principal, Roosevelt School	July 22, 2024
c.	#014494	STEAM Coach	July 19, 2024
d.	#012238	Teacher	August 22, 2024

27. **Approval of ARP ESSER Mental Health Support Staff Salary**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the salary in the amount of $13,923 for Wendy Rudis to be allocated under ARP ESSER MTSS Mental Health Support Staffing Grant.

28. **Approval of Title I Salary**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the partial payment salary in the amount of $22,900 for Lara Kane to be allocated under Title I Salaries.

29. **Approval of Extra Compensation**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves extra compensation for the following staff members, up to eight (8) hours each to cover IEP meetings during the summer months.

Alice Buttery	Kelly McCabe
Nicole Elmera	Lucia Moran
Ashley Garguilo	

30. **Approval of 2024 Summer Curriculum Work**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves staff for 2024 Summer Curriculum work to be paid with ARP ESSER Funds at $50 per hour.

Name	Summer Curriculum Work Topic	# of Hours
Janine Caruso	Grades K-3: Math NJSLS Updates	12
MaryAnn Crudello	Grades K-3: Math NJSLS Updates	12
Lara Kane	Grades K-3: Math NJSLS Updates	12
Michelle Parisi	Grades K-3: Math NJSLS Updates	12
Lindsay Comer	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Rebecca DelPriore	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Nichol DelRosso	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Megan Lubin	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Alexandria McNeil	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Michelle Parisi	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Noy Sapir	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28
Kate Stehn	Grades K-3: ELA - Writing	28

Ashley Adimando	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Debbie Auriemma	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Kismet Bohajian	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Susan Demitriou	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Kaitlyn DeVasto	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Melissa Gant	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Reem Halabi	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Jaime Lazor	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Amanda Lewandowski	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Alexandra McNeil	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Katelyn Mills	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Christine O'Keefe	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Heather Rothschild	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	10
Noy Sapir	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Kelly Wendrychowicz	Grades K-6: ELA - Reading	28
Kristen Apreda	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Mary Ann Crudello	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Rebecca Delpriore	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Nichol DelRosso	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Kaitlyn DeVasto	Grade K-6: Report Cards &	15

	Benchmarks	
Sandy Gerbino	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Helen Harle	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Alexandra McNeil	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Noy Sapir	Grade K-6: Report Cards & Benchmarks	15
Ashley Adimando	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12
Kaitlyn DeVasto	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12
Sharon Fadini	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12
Jami Jaskot	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12
Wendy Otis	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12
Maribel Torres	Grade 4-6: ELA Assessments	12

31. **Approval of 2024-2025 REAL Course Facilitators**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves REAL Course Facilitators for the 2024-2025 school year.

Ashley Adimando	Lara Kane
Kismet Bohajian	Katelyn Mills
Nicole Elmera	Kate Stehn
Melissa Gant	Nevin Werner
Jamie Jaskot	Jessica Zanone

32. **Approval of Extra Compensation**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves additional hours to assist with HR audit.

Name	Hours	Rate
Joann Baxter, Part-time Administrative Assistant, Board Office	Up to 40 hours to help with the Human Resources Audit	Per Contractual Rate

33. **Approval of River Edge Administrators' and Supervisors' Association (REASA) Agreement**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the agreement between the River Edge Board of Education and River Edge Administrators' and Supervisors' Association (REASA) from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

34. **Approval of Sick/Vacation Pay**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the payment due for unused sick/vacation days as per the REEA contract, River Edge Administrators' and Supervisors' Association contract, and non-bargaining contracts.

Contract Type	Name
REEA	Cheryl Maguire
River Edge Administrators & Supervisors Association	Michael Henzel Eric James
Non Union	Eleonora Noel Lisa Spinetti

Motion by: Ms. D'Alessandro Seconded by: Mr. Sim to approve **Personnel** Motions #1-34.

Yes: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
No: None
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley

H. SPECIAL EDUCATION

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the following **Special Education** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for Action:

1. Approval of Settlement Agreement

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

2. Approval of Special Education Outside Providers

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Special Education providers.

Provider and/or Company Name	Discipline	Area of Service	Hourly Rate/Rate Per Evaluation
Dr. Esther Fridman	Psychiatrist	Evaluations	$700/evaluation (virtual)
Dr. Natalia Karpova Dr. Aparna Malik	Neurodevelopmental	Evaluations	$650/evaluation
Dr. Marilyn Kubicheck	Neurodevelopmental	Evaluations	$700/evaluation in office Cost higher if traveling to school
Dr. Sameh Ragheb	Psychiatrist	Evaluations	$750/evaluation

Speech and Hearing Associates	Audiologists	Evaluations	Speech $650 Auditory Processing $700
Dr. Lee Suckno	Psychiatrist	Evaluations	$1000/evaluation in office

3. **Approval of Special Education Out-of-District Tuition Students**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education post approves the following out-of-district tuition students into the Building Bridges/Building Connections Program for the 2024-2025 school year.

School District	No. of Classified Students
Allendale	1
Bergenfield	1
Dumont	1
New Milford	1
Paramus	1
Park Ridge	2
River Vale	1
Rochelle Park	1
Westwood	2

4. **Approval of SEPAG Committee Members**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 SEPAG committee members.

Tara Cho	Vanessa Hennig-Roshong
Ammar Nasser Eddin	Kat Solomon

Laura Langley	Lillian Yun
Farrah Nagrampa	

5. **Approval of 2024-2025 Educational Program**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Liberty Science Center to provide educational opportunities to students in preschool and Building Bridges for the 2024-2025 school year at no cost to the district.

Motion by: Mr. Sim Seconded by: Ms. Crespo to approve **Special Education Motions #1-5.**

Yes: Ms. Brown, Ms Crespo, Ms. D'Alessandro, Mr. Sim**,** and Ms. Kang
No: None
Absent: Mr. Koen, Mr. Langley

I. REGION V

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the following **Region V** items are brought to the River Edge Board of Education for Action:

1. **Approval of Region V Budget**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the Region V Budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

2. **Approval of Bills**

   BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the bills and claims dated June 26, 2024 totaling $1,595,295.91 including checks #63269 through #63379. A copy of such warrants list will be included as part of these minutes.

3. **Approval of Consultants/Vendors**

   WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education (the "Board") is the lead education agency ("LEA") for the Bergen County Region V Council for Special Education ("Region V"); **and**

   WHEREAS, Region V provides shared services for its member districts, non-member districts such as evaluations, direct services, and consultation; and services to non-public schools as requested by member and non-member districts; **and**

   WHEREAS, as the LEA, the Board must approve the consultant agreements of the providers that Region V utilizes to deliver shared services to its member districts, non-member districts and services to non-public schools as requested by member and non-member districts; **and**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, approves the consultant agreements of the following Region V Shared Services Consultants/Agencies to provide evaluations, direct services, and consultation, to public and non- public schools for member districts and non-member districts upon request for the 2024-2025 school year:

Provider and/or Company Name	Discipline	Area of Service	Hourly Rate/Rate Per Evaluation
Lincy Aprigliano	Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Joseph Cafaro Clear Directions, Inc	School Psychologist Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Shelli Dansky	Physical Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Diana Evans, Learning Specialist Services LLC (pending completion of requisite paperwork)	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Pnina Fessel, Pnina Fessell SLP, LLC	Speech Language Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Pessie Finkelstein, PF Speech Therapist, LLC	Speech Language Therapy Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Leslie Fishbein, Leslie Fishbein, LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Alyssa Forman, Ask G Therapy	Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Jaclyn Frankel Jaclyn Frankel M.S. CCC-SLP LLC	Speech Language Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Jeanne Gannon, JG Evaluations LLC	School Psychologist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Laurie Gopin, LRG7 Corp	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office

Ellen Gruber	Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Nidhi Gupta, Saddle River Rehab	Physical Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Tate Hegarty, Hegarty PT	Physical Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Nicole Heid, Nicole P. Heid Consulting LLC	Teacher Consultant; Behavior Analyst – non BCBA – consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Lila Helu-Gingold, Elisa Helix Learning, LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Direct Services and Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Jennifer Irish, Clear Expressions LLC	Speech Language Therapy Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Stephanie Javier, SJ ABA LLC	Behavior Analyst – non BCBA – consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Judith Johnston, Judith Johnston, LLC	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Alexis Kawalec, A Kawalec OT LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Kathryn LaMarca, Lamarcable OT Services LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Jessica Landa, Jessica Landa OT Services, LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Christina Lazar	School Psychologist Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Jessica Lazarus, Jessica Lazarus Inc.	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Yaffa Markovich, Yaffa Markovich OT LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Darcy Matthys, DM Speech Inc.	Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office

Mary Menditto	School Social Worker Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Sarah Morin, Morin OT Inc.	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Deena Morris, Morris Therapy PC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Jaclyn Mulligan, Wings Behaviorism, LLC	Behavior Analyst – non BCBA – consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Robin Oliff	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Norma Reyes	School Psychologist Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Ronnit Rich, Let's Schmooze, LLC	Speech Language Therapy Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Jamie Rizzo, JR Behavior Consulting	Behavior Analyst - BCBA - Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Elana Rosenbaum, EZ Therapy and Handwriting, LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Angelique Savino, Let's Begin LLC	ABA Home Programmer & Parent Training	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Allison Schwartz, Solace OT LLC	Occupational Therapy Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Theresa Shaw, First Avenue Audiology Corp	Audiologist	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Kerry Shelby, Auditory Assistance	Teacher of the Deaf Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Elissa Siev, Hand in Hand Pediatric OT LLC	Occupational Therapist Consultant	Direct Services & Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Amy Solano, Fit & Well Physical Therapy PC	Physical Therapy Assistant Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Lauren Spallone, LDS Therapy	Physical Therapy Assistant Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office

Laura Sylvia, Bergen Hearing and Speech, Inc.	Audiologist, Speech Language Therapist Consultant	Direct Services	Rate on file with BOE office
Victoria Wozniak	School Social Worker Consultant	Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office

Agency Direct Service Hourly Rates and Evaluation Rates (Monolingual/Bilingual)

Agency	Services/Rates
Delta T Group North Jersey, Inc	PT, OT, SLP - $90-$97/hr COTA, PTA - $69-$72/hr BCBA - $92-$107/hr Paraprofessional ABA (home) - $57-$82/hr Teachers (Gen Ed/Spec Ed) - $77-$97/hr Home Instruction - $77-$97/hr School Psychologist - $90-$97/hr School SW - $90-$97/hr LDTC - $90-$97/hr Parent Trainer - $57-$82/hr Evaluations - $450/$525 Home Program OT, PT, SLP: 30 min - $85-$110 45 min - $100 - $150 60 min - $140-$210 Cancellation - $102
EPIC Special Education Staffing	PT, OT - $89/hr SLP - $99.50/hr School Psychologist - $105/hr LDTC - $95/hr School SW - $95/hr Paraprofessional - $43/hr
Garden State Speech Therapy	OT, SLP - $90/hr, Home Rates: 30 Min - $95 45 min - $116 60 min- $137.50 Cancellation - full session rate
Good Talking People	SLP - $100/hr
Hillmar, LLC	$950-$1,250/bilingual evaluation (specialty languages) $150/hr translation
Horizon Staffing Resources	Paraprofessional- $38.80/hr ABA Paraprofessional - $42/hr
Innovative Therapy Group	PT, OT, SLP - $95/hr Behaviorist (BCBA)- $115/hr

	School Psychologist - $85/hr LDTC - $$85/hr Paraprofessional 1:1/shared - $43/hr Paraprofessional ABA (school) - $45/hr RBT (school) - $50/hr
Jump Ahead Pediatrics	PT, OT, SLP - $88.50, $450/$550 Paraprofessional - $38.50 Paraprofessional ABA - $48.50 RBT (school) - $58.50
Kid Clan Services Inc.	PT - $110/hr, $300 OT - $110/hr, $350 SLP - $110/hr, $350 School Psychologist - $90/hr, $350/$450 LDTC - $90/hr, $350/$450 School SW - $90/hr, $350/$450 Behaviorist (BCBA) - $120/hr, FBA 120/hr Home Services OT, PT, SLP: 30 min - $90 45 min - $110 60 min - $130 Cancellation - $90
Learner's Compass	BCBA - $130/hr, FBA $130/hr RBT (School/Home) - $70/hr
NJ SLP Therapy LLC	SLP - $93/hr, $550/bilingual eval School Psychologist - $450/$550 School SW - $400/eval
Supreme Consultants LLC	SLP - $98/hr School Psychologist - $90/hr Home Instruction - $$78/hr OT, SLP, Psych, Social - $800/bilingual eval Translation - $52/hr
The Stepping Stones Group LLC	PT - $90/hr, $350/$400 OT - $88/hr, $325/$375 SLP - $89/hr, $425/$525 BCBA - $133/hr School Psychologist - $94/hr LDTC - $92/hr School SW - $75/hr $300/$350 Paraprofessional 1:1 - $43.00/hr RBT (school) - $65/hr
Thera-Pede	PT, OT, SLP - $98/hr Teacher Sp Ed (HI) - $77/hr Home Program OT, PT, SLP:

	30 min - $97 45 min - $135 60 min - $150 Cancellation - session rate
West Bergen	Mental Health Support Services: $130/hr-$225/hr Psychiatrist - $550-$600 per eval Full time clinician 11 month rate - $99,000 Full time Clinician 12 month rate - $106,000

4. **Approval of Nursing Services**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the following agencies to be awarded contracts to provide Nursing services to public and nonpublic schools for member districts upon request for the 2024-2025 school year.

Agency	Services/Rates
Loving Care Agency/dba Aveanna Healthcare	1:1, medically fragile and school nurse: Certified School Nurse - $70/hr RN - $65/hr LPN - 60/hr CHHA/CNA - $40/hr Transportation Only: Certified School Nurse, RN, LPN - $150/hr Nonpublic RN - $70/hr
Bayada Home Health Care	1:1 and medically fragile: RN and LPN - $68/hr School Nurse: RN and LPN - $68/hr Transportation Only: RN and LPN - $68/hr Nonpublic RN - $68/hr Overnight Trips: RN and LPN - $68/hr
Eastern Nursing Services Inc./dba Priority Nursing	1:1, medically fragile, school nurse and Transportation Only: RN - $82.50/hr LPN - $62.50/hr CHHA/CNA - $29.50/hr Nonpublic RN - $82.50/hr
Homecare Therapies LLC/dba Horizon Healthcare Staffing	1:1 RN - $80/hr, Medically Fragile - $84/hr 1:1 LPN - $65/hr, Medically Fragile - $68/hr 1:1 CHHA/CNA - $40/hr School Nurse: Certified School Nurse - $85/hr RN - $72/hr

	Transportation Only: Certified School Nurse, RN, LPN, CHHA/CNA - $90/hr (2 hour min each way) Nonpublic RN - $72/hr Overnight Trips: Certified School Nurse - $85/hr RN - $72/hr LPN - $65/hr
The Stepping Stones Group	School Nurses: Certified School Nurse - $87/hr RN - $78/hr LPN - $68/hr Nonpublic RN - $80/hr
White Glove Community Care	1:1 and medically fragile RN - $85/hr 1:1 and medically fragile LPN - $65/hr 1:1 and medically fragile CHHA/CNA - $31/hr School Nurses: Certified School Nurse and RN - $93/hr Transportation Only: RN - $93/hr, LPN - $75/hr, CHHA/CNA - $38/hr Overnight Trips: RN - $100/hr, LPN - $75/hr

5. **Approval of Outside Providers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the following specialty outside providers to provide evaluation services for the 2024-2025 school year.

Provider	Service	Rate
Jason Dean, M.D. / The Center for Developmental Psychiatry	Psychiatric Evaluations	Rate on file with BOE office
Dr. Jesse Glassman	Neuropsychological Evaluations	Rate on File with BOE office
Dr. Michael Lienhard, M.D. (pending receipt of required documentation)	Psychiatric Evaluations	Rate on File with BOE office

6. **Approval of Reappointment of Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the reappointment of non-certificated personnel at a salary on file in the Board Office from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Name	Location/Assignment
Hailey Nunez	Region V Part-time Clerical Assistant

7. **Approval of Professional Services Jointures**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Joint Professional Service Jointure between Region V as host and the following district as joiners:

Allendale School District	Haledon School District
Demarest School District	Leonia School District
Emerson School District	Lodi School District
Englewood Cliffs School District	Mt. Laurel School District
Fair Lawn School District	River Vale School District
Garfield School District	

8. **Approval of Memberships**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 membership/organizational fees for Region V personnel.

Name/Position	2024-2025 Memberships	Cost
Lisa Bernardo, Director of Region V	New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA)	$890.00
	New Jersey Special Education Administrators Association (NJSEAA)	$350.00
	Bergen County Association of School Administrators (BCASA)	$500.00
	School Transportation Supervisors of New Jersey (Associate Member)	$75.00

Tara Cantatore, Transportation Coordinator, Region V	School Transportation Supervisors of New Jersey (Full Member)	$200.00

9. **Approval of Training/Professional Development Providers**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the following vendors to provide training and/or Professional Development for Region V member and non-member district staff during the 2024-2025 school year

Vendor	Service	Hourly Rate
Mindy Schwartz	Professional Development and Special Projects	$180

10. **Approval to Rescind Lease**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves to rescind the lease agreement between the River Edge Board of Education/Region V Council for Special Education and RW Oradell, LLC.

11. **Approval of Lease Between River Edge Board of Education and St. Therese R.C. Church, Cresskill, NJ**

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education ("Board") has a need to obtain additional space to use for school facilities; **and**

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.* 18A:20-4.2 authorizes the Board to lease property for school purposes; **and**

WHEREAS, the Board and Saint Therese R.C. Church have negotiated a lease agreement whereby the Board will lease the space in the Academy of Saint Therese of Lisieux school building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the Lease Agreement between the Board and Saint Therese R.C. Church.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Board President and the Board Secretary to execute the Lease Agreement and take all other action necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

12. **Approval of Relocation of Region V Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the relocation of Region V staff from 700 Kinderkamack Rd, Suite 201 Oradell, NJ to St. Therese School, 220 Jefferson Ave, Cresskill, NJ on or about August 1, 2024.

13. **Approval of New Program**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the submission of the application to establish a Special Education Program. This program will be a Special Class Program for students with Emotional Regulation Impairments in Grades K-12.

14. **Approval of Instructional Space**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the initial temporary instructional space application for the 2024-2025 school year. The district is requesting temporary usage of 220 Jefferson Avenue, Cresskill, NJ currently known as St. Therese of Lisieux, non-public school.

15. **Approval of Application for Facilities**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the submission of the 2024-2025 application for toilet room facilities for school/room listed below. The district elects to use the alternate method of compliance in accordance to N..J.A.C. 6A:26-6.3 and N.J.A.C. 6A26.6.3(h)4ii.

School	Room Number
Region V Council for Special Education Program	1

16. **Approval of Transportation Fines**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves transportation fines with reasons for fines noted.

Route	Date	Company	School	Reason for Fine	Per Diem Rate	Fine
3101	5/8/24	Kris Transportation	Shepard School	No notification of broken down vehicle.	$303.96	$607.92

3101	5/10/24	Kris Transportation	Shepard School	Vehicle inspected - Findings reported route removed)	route removed	route removed
Q291	5/29/24	Limon Brothers Enterprise	Celebrate the Children	Driver texted parent the car broke down and could not transport student that day.	$299.00	$598.00

17. **Approval of 2023-2024 Transportation Quote Contracts**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education post approves Quote Contract(s) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Vehicle/Per Diem	Per Bus/Per Diem per Aide (if applicable)
FT08	R & May Transportation LLC	$600.00	$70.00
Q294	Tiny Tours Transport LLC	$129.99	$44.99
Q297	C & C Transportation LLC	$270.00	$0.00

18. **Approval of 2024-2025 Transportation Quote Contracts**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Quote Contract(s) for the 2024-2025 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Vehicle/Per Diem	Per Bus/Per Diem per Aide (if applicable)

Q296	C & C Transportation LLC	$180.00	$0.00

19. Approval of 2024-2025 Transportation Addendum Contracts

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Addendum Contract(s) for the 2024 -2025 school year.

Route	Transporter	Original Contract	Additional / Decrease Vehicle(s)	Additional / Decrease Aide(s)	Per Diem
2991	RC Prime Transportation LLC	$330.55	$49.45	$0.00	$380.00
3016	We Care School Transportation Inc. (7P)	$441.77	$(96.58)	$0.00	$345.19
3016	We Care School Transportation Inc. (16P)	$441.77	$(20.00)	$0.00	$421.77
3041	Kids Choice Inc.	$377.40	$(72.40)	$0.00	$305.00
3051	M&M Group Inc.	$606.90	$(74.90)	$0.00	$532.00
3052	R & May Transportation LLC	$488.00	$(68.00)	$0.g00	$420.00
3054	Valley Transportation LLC	$525.30	$(200.30)	$0.00	$325.00
3056	R & May Transportation LLC	$488.00	$(68.00)	$0.00	$420.00
3058	Valley Transportation LLC	$714.00	$(125.00)	$0.00	$589.00

3059	Valley Transportation LLC	$714.00	$(125.00)	$ 0.00	$589.00
3060	Valley Transportation LLC	$714.00	$ (125.00)	$0.00	$589.00
3068	Valley Transportation LLC	$510.05	$ (200.05)	$0.00	$310.00
3068	Valley Transportation LLC (Midday Route)	$310.00	$75.00	$0.00	$385.00
3072	Jersey Kids Transportation LLC	$438.55	$(58.55)	$0.00	$380.00
3074	Jersey Kids Transportation LLC	$518.96	$(38.96)	$0.00	$480.00
3091	R & May Transportation LLC	$464.00	$(44.00)	$0.00	$420.00
3098	Valley Transportation LLC	$449.82	$(39.78)	$0.00	$410.04
3115	We Care School Transportation Inc.	$620.96	$100.00	$88.00	$808.96
3121	Kennedy Transportation LLC	$570.18	$(110.18)	$0.00	$460.00
3141	First Choice Tranz LLC	$558.96	$(55.90)	$0.00	$503.06
3164	RC Prime Transportation LLC	$450.00	$(55.00)	$0.00	$395.00

20. <u>Approval of Rescission of 2024-2025 Transportation Renewal Contracts</u>

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education rescind Renewal Contract(s) for the 2024-2025 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Vehicle / Per Diem	Per Diem Aide (if applicable)	Additional / Decrease Cost Per Vehicle (if applicable)	Additional / Decrease Cost Per Vehicle Mile (if applicable)
3016	We Care School Transportation Inc.	$436.53	$65.00	$420.00	$1.99
3161	Valley Transportation LLC	$425.00	$63.00	$425.00	$3.00

21. **Approval of 2024-2025 Transportation Renewal Contracts**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves Renewal Contract(s) for the 2024-2025 school year.

Route	Transporter	Per Vehicle / Per Diem	Per Diem Aide (if applicable)	Additional /Decrease Cost Per Vehicle (if applicable)	Additional /Decrease Cost Per Vehicle Mile (if applicable)
3016	We Care School Transportation Inc.	$441.77	$65.00	$420.00	$1.99
3067	Valley Transportation LLC	$400.00	$100.00	$400.00	$5.00
3161	Valley Transportation LLC	$425.00	$31.50	$425.00	$3.00
3191	Valley Transportation LLC	$200.15	$40.00	$200.15	$3.00

22. **Approval of 2024-2025 Bid Transportation Contracts**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approve the following Bid Contract(s) for the 2024-2025 school year.

Route	Transporter	Original Contract Per Vehicle/ Per Diem	Per Diem Aide (if applicable)	Additional /Decrease Cost per Vehicle	Additional /Decrease Cost Per Vehicle Mile
3218	C & C Transportation LLC	$130.00	$40.00	$129.00	$3.00
3219	C & C Transportation LLC	$160.00	$40.00	$155.00	$3.00
3220	Future 10 Transportation LLC	$235.00	$30.00	$235.00	$3.25
3221	Valley Transportation	$91.00	$21.00	$91.00	$3.75
3222	Town & Country Bus Co Inc	$289.90	$90.00	$289.90	$5.00

23. **Approval of the 2024-2025 Jointure Transportation Agreement**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 Joint Transportation Agreement as follows:

- River Edge School District; LEA for Region V Council for Special Education (Host) and the Ridgefield Park School District (Joiner).
- Ridgefield Park School District (Host) and the River Edge School District; LEA for Region V Council for Special Education (Joiner).

Motion by: Ms. Crespo Seconded by: Ms. Brown to approve **Region V** Motions #1-23.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS - No items

PUBLIC COMMENTS - No comments

ADJOURNMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, that the River Edge Board of Education approves to adjourn the **June 26, 2024** Public Board Meeting.

Motion by: Ms. Brown Seconded by: Mr. Sim at 7:50 p.m.

Upcoming Board Meetings

Date	Meeting	Location	Time
July 24, 2024	Public Board Meeting	New Bridge Center, Project Room	7:30PM
August 21, 2024	Public Board Meeting	New Bridge Center, Project Room	7:30PM

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Napolitano
Board Secretary
River Edge Board of Education