

**RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
River Vale, New Jersey 07675  
REGULAR MEETING  
ROBERGE ANNEX  
DECEMBER 22, 2022  
REVISED AGENDA**

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**CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 P.M.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** 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 this meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
<b>PRESENT</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>							

**FLAG SALUTE**

**MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION BY** \_\_\_\_\_ **SECONDED BY** \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education must discuss matters which are not appropriate for discussion in a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, these subjects are within the exceptions to the Open Public Meetings Act and are permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education intends to discuss matters as follows:

1. Any matter which by provision of law is rendered confidential or excluded from the requirements of subsection A of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, specifically, the following matter:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the government of the United States, specifically, the following matter:

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3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, specifically, the following matter:

- **HIB**

4. Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such, specifically, the following matter:

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5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds which would adversely affect the public interest, specifically, the following matter:

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6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law, specifically, the following matter:

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7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation (other than any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such) in which the Board of Education is or may become a party, or any matter falling within the attorney/client privilege, specifically, the following matter:

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8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or discipline of any current or prospective officer or employee, unless all individual employees or appointees request in writing that such matter be discussed in public, specifically, the following matter:

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9. Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or loss of the license or permit belonging to the responding party, specifically, the following matter:

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**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED**, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in closed session by this Board of Education and administrative staff, and the minutes of said closed session discussion will be made available to the public when the reasons for the non-disclosure in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act no longer exist.

**Meeting closed to the public at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_ that the December 22, 2022 Closed Session Meeting be re-opened to the Regular Meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – CHAIRPERSON**

- **Buildings & Grounds – Mrs. Rothenberg**
- **Communications & Policies – Mrs. Senande**
- **Curriculum & Technology – Mrs. Rothenberg**
- **Finance – Mrs. Pintarelli**
- **Negotiations – Mr. Rosini**
- **Personnel – Mrs. Pintarelli**

**COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Committee</b>
December 22, 2022	6:00 PM	<del>Finance</del> -- Cancelled
January 3, 2023	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 \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**Public comments:**

**Meeting closed to public comments at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT**

**GENERAL RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve  
Resolution Items **G1** through **G8** as listed below.

- G1. 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 November 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.**

**G2. 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 November 15, 2022 Closed Session Meeting-I.**

**G3. 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 November 15, 2022 Closed Session Meeting-II.**

**G4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following resolution of appreciation for Deborah Rothenberg, Board Trustee:**

**WHEREAS,** Deborah Rothenberg was elected to serve on the River Vale Board of Education starting August 2017 and will serve through December 2022; and,

**WHEREAS,** Deborah Rothenberg did faithfully attend and actively participate at the Executive and Public meetings of the River Vale Board of Education during that period of time; and

**WHEREAS,** Deborah Rothenberg currently serves as Chairperson of the Buildings & Grounds Committee and the Curriculum and Technology Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** Deborah Rothenberg, during that same period of time, did provide her ideas, opinions and thoughts, as well as leadership and guidance, to the Board and each of the Committees that she served on;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the River Vale Board of Education does express its sincere appreciation to Deborah Rothenberg on behalf of the Superintendent, Board members, students and citizens of the Township of River Vale for her efforts on their behalf; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the River Vale Board of Education members individually and jointly thank Deborah Rothenberg for her contributions and camaraderie over this time frame and does wish her well in her other endeavors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution regarding Deborah Rothenberg be spread upon the Minutes of the River Vale Board of Education.

**G5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the second reading and adoption of the following new/revised River Vale Board of Education Policies and Regulations:**

<u>Policy/Reg #</u>	<u>Policy/Regulation Title</u>
P0163	<a href="#"><u>Quorum</u></a>
P1511	<a href="#"><u>Board of Education Website Accessibility</u></a>
P2415	<a href="#"><u>Every Student Succeeds Act</u></a>
P3270	<a href="#"><u>Professional Responsibilities</u></a>
R3270	<a href="#"><u>Lesson Plans and Plan Books</u></a>
P5513	<a href="#"><u>Care of School Property</u></a>
R5513	<a href="#"><u>Care of School Property</u></a>
P5722	<a href="#"><u>Student Journalism</u></a>
P2425	<a href="#"><u>Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program</u></a>
R2425	<a href="#"><u>Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program</u></a>
P5512	<a href="#"><u>Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying</u></a>

**G6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **affirms a NON-HIB report for the 2022-2023 school year:**

- **HIB – HMS-004**

**G7. 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**, pursuant to the Federal American Rescue Plan Act, Section 2001(i), requires each LEA that receives ARP ESSER funds to develop and make publicly available on the LEA’s website, no later than 30 days after receiving ARP ESSER funds, a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services for all schools and

**WHEREAS**, section 2001(i)(2) of the ARP Act further requires that the LEA seek public comment on the Safe Return Plan and take those comments into account in finalization of the Safe Return Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, under the interim final requirements published in [Volume 86, No. 76 of the Federal Register](#) by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE), an LEA must periodically, but no less frequently than every six months through September 30, 2023, review and, as appropriate, revise its Safe Return Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to those requirements, LEAs must submit to the NJDOE and post on their website their revised Safe Return Plans by December 24, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the District did develop and make publicly available on the LEA’s website, no later than 30 days after receiving ARP ESSER funds, a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services for all schools (Safe Return Plan);

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves the District’s revised Safe Return Plan to be submitted to the Department of Education by December 23, 2022 and to be implemented for the 2022-2023 school year. (*See Attachment G7*)

**G8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the sale of obsolete technology equipment to Motor City Computer, as follows:**

<b>Model</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
HP x360 g1 ee Chromebook (4GB/32GB)	177
HP 11 G6 EE Chromebook (8GB/64GB)	117
HP 11 G4 Chromebook (4GB/32GB)	7
HP Elitebook 820 Laptop (i3/4GB/120GB)	94

Maximum Total Payment: \$4001.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve Resolution Items **B1** through **B16** as listed below.

**B1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, **retroactively approves the Financial Report of the School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month ending October 31, in the following balances:**

Fund 10	-	\$12,363,227.01
Fund 20	-	\$ (76,246.35)
Fund 30	-	\$24,045,148.90
<u>Fund 40</u>	-	<u>\$ 890,896.92</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$37,223,026.48</b>

**B2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, **retroactively approves the adoption of the monthly certification(s) of Major Budgetary Account and Fund Status as follows:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has accepted and reviewed financial reports for the period ending **October 31, 2022** including the Report of the Secretary, A-148, and the Secretary’s certification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received and reviewed financial reports issued by the Business Administrator;

**WHEREAS**, the Board has had consultations with the appropriate school administrators;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that members of the Board of Education do hereby certify that to the best of our knowledge, no major accounts appear to be overextended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district Board of Education’s financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

**B3. 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 November 30, 2022 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$ 446,776.58
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.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 1,600.77
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 90 – Trust & Agency	-	\$1,878,574.50
Fund 91 – Merchants Account	-	\$ 62.85
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,327,014.70</b>

**B4. 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 November 30, 2022 in the amount of \$187,359.08.**

**B5. 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 period ending November 30, 2022 in the amount of \$18,721.00 as set forth below:**



**Transfer of Funds**

			<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
<b>T275</b>	23-11-190-100-610-20-20-063	H- MATH WORKBOOKS	(\$1,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-640-20-20-050	H- LANGUAGE TEXTBOOKS	(\$450.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-610-20-20-086	READING SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	\$0.00	\$1,450.00
<b>T272</b>	23-11-000-251-890-10-11-000	DUES/FEES	(\$400.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-251-610-10-11-000	OFFICE SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	\$0.00	\$400.00
<b>T299</b>	23-11-190-100-610-40-40-063	R- MATH SUPPLIES	(\$9,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-213-320-40-40-072	R-SECT. 504 OCCUPATIONAL THRPY	\$0.00	\$9,000.00
<b>T341</b>	23-11-000-230-331-10-11-049	LEGAL SERVICE EXP. - SP. SRVS.	(\$1,327.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-240-610-40-40-000	R- MAIN OFFICE SUPPLIES	(\$935.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-130-100-101-20-11-001	TCHR LUNCH DUTY SALARIES	(\$1,120.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-440-40-11-000	R- FACULTY ROOM COPIER LEASE	(\$126.00)	\$63.00
	23-11-000-230-339-10-11-000	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SVCS.	\$0.00	\$1,327.00
	23-11-000-240-440-40-11-000	R- COPY MACHINE LEASE PAYMENTS	\$0.00	\$935.00
	23-11-130-100-101-20-11-000	H- GRADE 6-8 TEACHER SALARIES	\$0.00	\$1,120.00
	23-11-190-100-440-20-11-000	H- FACULTY ROOM COPIER LEASE	\$0.00	\$63.00
<b>T342</b>	23-11-190-100-440-40-11-000	R- FACULTY ROOM COPIER LEASE	(\$63.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-440-60-11-000	W- FACULTY ROOM COPIER LEASE	\$0.00	\$63.00
<b>T304</b>	23-11-190-100-610-20-20-028	H- NEW EQUIPMENT (UNDER \$2,000 PER ITEM)	(\$2,000.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-190-100-610-20-20-063	H- MATH WORKBOOKS	(\$2,300.00)	\$0.00
	23-12-000-100-730-20-20-000	H- PHYS. EDUC. EQUIPMENT	\$0.00	\$4,300.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>		<b>(\$18,721.00)</b>	
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>\$18,721.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date 11/30/22

**B6. 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 December 22, 2022 as follows:**

Fund 10 – General Fund	-	\$1,024,738.52
Fund 10 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 – Special Revenue	-	\$ 66,138.80
Fund 20 – Voided Checks	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 30 – Capital Projects	-	\$1,017,217.20
Fund 40 – Debt Service	-	\$ 308,190.63
Unemployment Trust Acct.	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 60 – Milk Account	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 65 – Enterprise Fund	-	\$ 0.00
Fund 90 – Trust & Agency	-	\$ 225,635.95
Fund 91 – Merchants Account	-	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,641,921.10</b>

**B7. 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 December 22, 2022 in the amount of \$63,923.42.**

**B8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the transfer of funds for the period ending December 22, 2022 in the amount of \$7,246.00 as set forth below:**

**Transfer of Funds**

			<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
T314	23-11-000-240-610-20-20-000	H- MAIN OFFICE SUPPLIES	(\$300.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-402-100-610-20-20-000	H- SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	\$0.00	\$300.00
T335	23-11-000-216-320-10-18-000	PURCH PROF SRVCS/COMM FOR THE BLIND	(\$1,600.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-219-320-10-18-000	HEALTH/PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES	\$0.00	\$1,600.00
T336	23-11-000-240-610-60-60-000	W- MAIN OFFICE SUPPLIES	(\$1,426.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-213-610-60-60-000	W- NURSE'S SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$1,426.00
T340	23-11-000-213-106-20-11-004	H- NURSE'S AIDE SALARY	(\$3,920.00)	\$0.00
	23-11-000-213-610-20-20-000	H- NURSE'S SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$3,920.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>			
	<b>FROM:</b>		<b>(\$7,246.00)</b>	
	<b>TO:</b>			<b>\$7,246.00</b>

Note: Transaction Date 12/22/22

**B9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION,** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the participation in the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program to provide health benefits for school district employees for the 2022-2023 calendar year at the below established rates effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the River Vale Board of Education, does hereby authorize the School Business Administrator, to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

<b>PLAN/COVERAGE DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>EMPLOYEE SINGLE COST</b>	<b>DEPENDENT COST</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
NJ DIRECT 10			
Single	\$1,158.91	-	\$1,158.91
Member & Spouse/Partner	\$1,161.21	\$1,156.61	\$2,317.82
Family	\$1,162.05	\$2,152.43	\$3,314.48
Parent & Child	\$1,159.93	\$995.64	\$2,155.57
NJ DIRECT 15			

Single	\$1,109.83	-	\$1,109.83
Member & Spouse/Partner	\$1,112.13	\$1,107.52	\$2,219.65
Family	\$1,112.97	\$2,061.14	\$3,174.11
Parent & Child	\$1,110.85	\$953.43	\$2,064.28
<b>NEW JERSEY EDUCATORS HEALTH PLAN</b>			
Single	\$1,021.61	-	\$1,021.61
Member & Spouse/Partner	\$1,023.91	\$1,109.31	\$2,043.22
Family	\$1,024.75	\$1,897.05	\$2,921.80
Parent & Child	\$1,022.63	\$877.56	\$1,900.19
<b>GARDEN STATE HEALTH PLAN</b>			
Single	\$826.01	-	\$826.01
Member & Spouse/Partner	\$828.31	\$823.71	\$1,652.02
Family	\$829.15	\$1,533.24	\$2,362.39
Parent & Child	\$827.03	\$709.35	\$1,536.38

**B10. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the date for advertisement of December 23, 2022, and the date for receipt of sealed bids of January 18, 2023 for transportation services for school-related activities. Bids shall be received by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at the River Vale Board of Education Offices, 609 Westwood Avenue, River Vale, New Jersey 07675, until 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and made available for examination by any interested persons. Bid awards shall be made by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary in accordance with the bid specifications and applicable legal statutes.**

**All bid awards shall be submitted to the Board of Education at a subsequent public meeting for formal approval.**

**B11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **revises the authorization of the procurement of goods and services by the Cooperative Contract Awarded Supplier, Eastern DataComm, LLC, through the New Jersey State Approved Co-Op #65MCESCCPS Emergency Notification Systems Bid, ESCNJ 18/19-16.**

**WHEREAS**, Title 18A:18A-10 provides that the River Vale Board of Education, without advertising for bids or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising therefore, by resolution, may purchase any goods or services pursuant to a contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property; and

**WHEREAS**, the River Vale School District has the need, on a timely basis, to procure goods and services utilizing state contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the River Vale Board of Education desires to authorize its Purchasing Agent to make any and all purchases necessary to meet the needs of the school district throughout the school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the River Vale Board of Education does hereby authorize the district Purchasing Agent to award the contract for technology products and services to Eastern DataComm, LLC, through the New Jersey State Approved Co-Op #65MCESCCPS Emergency Notification Systems Bid, ESCNJ 18/19-16, in the amount of \$27,512.00.

**Account No. 23-11-000-266-610-20-65-000 - \$30,212.00**

**B12. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following change orders (# 5, # 6 and # 7) in connection with the Roberge Elementary School Building Renovations as submitted and approved by LAN Associates, Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying, Inc. and, furthermore, authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and execute all pertinent payment applications summarized as follows:**

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Original Contract Amount</b>	<b>Accepted Change Orders</b>	<b>Adjusted Contract Amount</b>
2.2797.55.03	H&S Construction & Mechanical, Inc.	\$ 5,685,000.00		\$ 5,685,000.00
	Change Order # 1 – Bd. Approved 4-30-2022		\$ 52,482.83	\$ 52,482.83
	Change Order # 2 –Bd. Approved 10-11-2022		\$ 20,555.73	\$ 20,555.73
	Change Order # 3 -Bd. Approved 10-11-2022		\$ 24,386.56	\$ 24,386.56
	Change Order # 4 -Bd. Approved 10-11-2022		\$ 832.51	\$ 832.51
	Change Order # 5		(\$ 188,000.00)	(\$ 188,000.00)
	Change Order # 6		\$ 3,583.04	\$ 3,583.04
	Change Order # 7		(\$ 45,855.95)	(\$ 45,855.95)
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 5,685,000.00</b>	<b>(\$ 132,015.28)</b>	<b>\$ 5,552,984.72</b>

**B13. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the revised Pricing Plan Agreement with ESS Northeast, LLC, with all of their properly certified employees, to provide substitute teacher, secretary and aide services to the district for the 2022-2023 school year.**

**B14. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, **approves the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the River Vale Board of Education advertised for bids for Building Renovations at Holdrum Middle School, Contract 57.2 (“Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, on December 20, 2022, the Board received and publicly opened three bids for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, GPC, Inc., submitted a bid in the amount of \$10,207,000 (as well as Alternate 1 add \$55,000, Alternate 2 add \$22,700, Alternate 3 add \$1,100, Alternate 4 add \$25,600, and Alternate 5 add \$263,000), which complied in all material respects and was thus the lowest responsible bid;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby awards the contract for the Project to GPC, Inc. for a total of \$10,495,600 (with Alternate 4 add \$25,600 and Alternate #5 add \$263,000); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this award is expressly conditioned upon GPC, Inc. furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, an executed A-101-Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor and an executed A-201-General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, as prepared by the Board Attorney and/or Architect, within ten days of the date hereof; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby directs the Board Attorney and/or Architect to prepare the contract with GPC, Inc., and authorizes the Board President and Board Secretary to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Bidder	Base Bid	Alt #1 - Replace Existing Window Blinds with Roller Blinds	Alt #2 - MDP1 with NEMA 3R enclosure in lieu of MDP1 in Masonry Shed Enclosure	Alt #3 - Victualic Fittings in lieu of Soldered/ProPress Fittings	Alt #4 - Replace All Domestic Water Valves as Shown	Alt #5 - Replace Domestic Water Mains (DCW, DHW, DHWR)	Unit Price #1 Wood Blocking Replacement	Unit Price #2 Roof Decking Replacement	Total (With Alternate #4 and Alternate #5)
M&M Construction Co., Inc.	11,740,000	60,000	(40,000)	500	25,000	265,000	25/lf	40/sf	12,030,000
GPC, Inc.	10,207,000	55,000	22,700	1,100	25,600	263,000	30	30	10,495,600
APS Contracting, Inc.	10,819,000	95,000	(35,000)	100	26,000	260,000	30/lf	50/sf	11,105,000

**Account No. 30-000-400-450-20-11-017**

**B15. 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.**

<b>Employee</b>	<b>School/Dept.</b>	<b>Conference/Workshop</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Marcia Miller	RES	Science Curriculum Articulation Meeting	PHHS	2/2/2023 4/26/2023	\$0.00
Lisa Adamek	WES	Fluency: The Bridge Between Word Recognition and Comprehension	NVCC	2/2/2023	\$0.00
Michael Davenport	HMS	Health Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PHHS	2/14/2023 4/18/2023	\$0.00
Kristina Aramanda	WES	Year 2 Cohort Meeting	PHHS	2/28/2023	\$0.00
Adam Kennis	RES	Health Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PVRHS	11/22/2022 2/14/2023 4/18/2023	\$0.00
Andrew Eisler	HMS	Science Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PVRHS	1/18/2023 1/24/2023 6/1/2023	\$0.00
Alyson Puzzo	HMS	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	3/23/2023	\$0.00
Deborah Chinnici	HMS	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	3/23/2023	\$0.00
Susan Polonsky	WES	Health & Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PHHS	11/22/2022 2/14/2023 4/18/2023	\$0.00
Erin Rudolph	HMS	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	2/23/2023	\$0.00
Justin Jasper	WES	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	2/23/2023	\$0.00
Krista Rasmussen	HMS	Social Studies Curriculum Writing Meeting	PHHS	1/12/2023	\$0.00
Angela Rossi	WES	K-12 Visual Art Curriculum Implementation Articulation	PHHS	1/5/2023 3/30/2023	\$0.00
Kathleen Keller	WES	Demystifying Multisensory Reading Instruction	NVCC	1/5/2023	\$0.00
Julie Teitsma	HMS	Music Articulation Meeting	PHHS	2/8/2023	\$0.00
Ashley Corizzi	HMS	How to Grow Your Middle School Grammar Toolbox	NVCC	1/13/2023	\$220.00
Robert Fencik	HMS	8th/9th Grade Science Articulation Meeting	PHHS	1/31/2023	\$0.00
Eileen DeMaria	WES	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	3/23/2023	\$0.00
Phyllis Gerber	HMS	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	2/23/2023	\$0.00

Deborah Chinnici	HMS	Guidance Articulation Meeting	PHHS	1/6/2022	\$0.00
Erin Rudolph	HMS	Guidance Articulation Meeting	PHHS	1/6/2022	\$0.00
Lisa Murdock	WES	NJDOE School Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management Training	Virtual	3/23/2023	\$0.00
Anna Dore	WES	K-12 Music Curriculum Implementation Articulation Meeting	PHHS	2/8/2023	\$0.00
Anna Dore	WES	2023 NJMEA State Conference	Atlantic City, NJ	2/23/2023 2/24/2023 2/25/2023	Not to Exceed \$935.00
Justin Lewbel	HMS	Meeting Students Where They Are and Strategies For Growth	NVCC	3/21/2023	\$210.00

**B16. 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/Assemblies for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023:**

School	Grade	Teacher	Trip/Assembly	Location	Date
RES	Grade 3	Erin Fahey	Liberty Science Center	Jersey City, NJ	January
RES	Grade 4	Glenn Haug	Sterling Hill Mining Museum	Ogdensburg, NJ	April
RES	Grades 4&5 POG Studio	Eric Mitchell	Meadowlands Environmental Center	Lyndhurst, NJ	January
WES	Grades 4&5 POG Studio	Daniel Beyer	Meadowlands Environmental Center	Lyndhurst, NJ	January
WES	Grade 2	Sally Leone	Liberty Science Center	In-District	April
HMS	LLD 6-8	Melanie Gallina	Montvale Lanes	Montvale, NJ	February
WES	LLD K-5	Rachel Hadley	Montvale Lanes	Montvale, NJ	February
WES	Grade 2	Sally Leone	Turtle Back Zoo	West Orange, NJ	May
HMS	Grade 6	James Gallucci	Wintergarden Theater and Applebee's	New York City, NY	March
HMS	Grade 7	Megan Rizer	Fairview Lake YMCA Camp	Newton, NJ	April
WES	Grade 3	Elizabeth McGory	Tenaflly Nature Center	February	In-District

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	Mrs. Assor	Mrs. Berkowitz	Mrs. Pintarelli	Mrs. Rothenberg	Mrs. Senande	Mr. White	Mr. Rosini
AYE							
NAY							
ABSENT							
ABSTAINED							

**PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_** to approve Resolution Items **P1** through **P15** as listed below.

- P1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves a paid medical leave of absence for staff member #001236 beginning on November 30, 2022 through on or about January 3, 2023.**
- P2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves an extension of the paid medical leave of absence for staff member #004682 beginning on December 16, 2022 through on or about January 2, 2023.**
- P3. 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 Janice Hartwick, Roberge Library Aide, from November 21<sup>st</sup> through November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 for a total of three (3) unpaid days.**
- P4. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves an unpaid leave of absence for Suzanne Spechar, Roberge Lunch Aide, on January 4, 2023 through January 6, 2023 for a total of three (3) unpaid days.**
- P5. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of John Menniti, Roberge Elementary School Head Custodian, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2023.**
- P6. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **retroactively approves the following faculty members to provide Home Instruction for Student #20292164 from December 5, 2022 through January 31, 2023, as follows:**



Employee	Max. Hours Per Week	Hourly Rate	Account No.
Monica Ivankovic Jeannine Matone	10 (collectively)	\$84.00	11-150-100-101-10-18-000

**P7. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **appoints the following district staff/faculty member(s) for the 2022-2023 school year, pending completion of the Criminal History Review Process, as set forth below:**

Employee	Location /Dept.	FTE	Position	Level/ Step	Salary	Account No.
Jonathan Gittings	HMS	1.0	Instrumental /Music Teacher	BA/1	\$55,915.00	11-130-100-101-20-11-000

**P8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of Bracha Rand, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, effective February 20, 2023.**

**P9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **accepts, with regret, the resignation of Tracey Mueller, Woodside School Special Education Aide, effective on or about January 13, 2023.**

**P10. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **appoints the following on-guide Secretary for the 2022-2023 school year, pending completion of the Criminal History Review Process, as set forth below:**

Employee	Location	FTE	Step	Total Salary	Account Number
Tracey Mueller	WES	0.50	BASE/1	22,214.50	11-000-211-100-60-11-000
Tracey Mueller	WES	0.50	BASE/1	22,214.50	11-000-240-105-60-11-000

**P11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVER VALE BOARD OF EDUCATION** that the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, **approves the following student intern placements for the 2022-2023 school year, as set forth below:**

Name	School	Type	Staff Member	College/School
Michael Abdon	WES	Student Practicum	Lisa Adamek	Montclair State University
Jailyn Bermudez	WES	Student Practicum	Kerry Arbadji	Montclair State University
Terrance O'Loughlin	HMS	Student Observation	Michelle Bianco	Dominican University
Jennifer Peralta	RES	Student Practicum	Margaret Hutter	Montclair State University
Mariana Squeo	RES	Student Practicum	Lindsay DeAngelis	Montclair State University

**P12. 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 Substitute(s) for the 2022-2023 school year, pending completion of the Criminal History Review process, as set forth below:**

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Daily/Hourly Rate</b>
Elise Dykowsky	Secretary	\$17.00 per hour

**P13. 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.**

**P14. 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.**

**P15. 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.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**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 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 \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**Public comments:**

**Meeting closed to public comments at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education must discuss matters which are not appropriate for discussion in a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, these subjects are within the exceptions to the Open Public Meetings Act and are permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education intends to discuss matters as follows:

- 1. Any matter which by provision of law is rendered confidential or excluded from the requirements of subsection A of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, specifically, the following matter:

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2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the government of the United States, specifically, the following matter:

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3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, specifically, the following matter:

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4. Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such, specifically, the following matter:

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5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds which would adversely affect the public interest, specifically, the following matter:

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6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law, specifically, the following matter:

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7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation (other than any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the proposals for inclusion in such) in which the Board of Education is or may become a party, or any matter falling within the attorney/client privilege, specifically, the following matter:

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8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or discipline of any current or prospective officer or employee, unless all individual employees or appointees request in writing that such matter be discussed in public, specifically, the following matter:

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9. Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or loss of the license or permit belonging to the responding party, specifically, the following matter:

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**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED**, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in closed session by this Board of Education and administrative staff, and the minutes of said closed session discussion will be made available to the public when the reasons for the non-disclosure in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act no longer exist.

**Meeting closed to the public at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_ that the December 22, 2022 Closed Session Meeting be re-opened to the Regular Meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_ that the December 22, 2022 Regular Meeting be adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>Mrs. Assor</b>	<b>Mrs. Berkowitz</b>	<b>Mrs. Pintarelli</b>	<b>Mrs. Rothenberg</b>	<b>Mrs. Senande</b>	<b>Mr. White</b>	<b>Mr. Rosini</b>
<b>NAY</b>							
<b>ABSENT</b>							
<b>ABSTAINED</b>							