

**BUSINESS MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2019
RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
555 CHESTNUT STREET, RIDGEFIELD, NJ 07657**

A Business Meeting of the Ridgefield Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Huzovic in the High School Cafeteria.

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:09 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

II. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

III. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

“The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Ridgefield Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted at the Administration Building, and having notified The Record, The Star Ledger and the Ridgefield Borough Clerk”.

IV. ROLL CALL

Mr. Acosta	Absent
Mr. Grippa	Present
Mrs. Inan	Absent
Mr. Morilla	Present
Mrs. Narvaez	Present
Mr. Pych	Absent
Mrs. Huzovic	Present

There being four members present, a quorum was declared.

Also present were:

John J. Petrelli – Interim Superintendent of Schools

Julyana Ortiz – Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Frances Febres – Board Attorney

- V. Motion** to Convene in **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION** for School Board Training, Personnel, Legal, Negotiations, Attorney/Client Privilege and/or Student Matters items, at 7:10 p.m.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ridgefield Board of Education, pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, that the Board meet in closed session to discuss the following subject matter(s), which is (are) permitted to be discussed in closed session pursuant to the following designated sub-section(s) of Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act:

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- () Sub-section 1 dealing with material rendered confidential by express provision of Federal or State law.
- () Sub-section 2 covering a matter in which release of information would impair a right to receive federal funds.
- () Sub-section 3 involving disclosure of material that would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy, including material related to an individual's personal and family circumstances, without the express written consent of the individual involved.
- () Sub-section 4 pertaining to collective bargaining agreements and the terms, conditions and negotiations thereof.
- () Sub-section 5 dealing with the acquisition of real property, the setting of bank rates, or the investment of public funds where discussion thereof would adversely affect the public interest.
- () Sub-section 6 dealing with tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public where disclosure could impair such protection or investigation of violation of the law.
- (X) Sub-section 7 dealing with pending or anticipated litigation, contract negotiations, or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
- (X) Sub-section 8 concerning student matters and/or personnel matters dealing with employment, appointment, termination, or terms and conditions of employment of any person or persons, or the evaluation, promotion or disciplining of employees unless all employees involved consent to disclosure thereof.
- () Sub-section 9 involving deliberations after public hearing on a matter, which may result in the imposition of a civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as precisely as can be determined at this time, the discussion conducted in the said closed session can be disclosed to the public upon taking final action thereon, provided disclosure shall not violate the attorney-client privilege, impair the safety and property of the public or constitute an undue invasion of privacy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is envisioned that the Board will return to open session after this closed session meeting.

VI. PUBLIC BOARD MEETING reconvened at 8:06 p.m.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Petrelli stated that the District is preparing for the PARCC Testing that will take place April 9, 2019 through April 30, 2019 and May 1, 2019 through May 3, 2019 at the High School, and April 23, 2019 through April 29, 2019 and May 1, 2019 through May 23, 2019 at Slocum Skewes School.

He stated the 2019/2020 budget will be presented to the public at the April 25, 2019 Board Meeting.

He stated that this week the Teachers and Teacher Assistants are in the process of nominating people for the Teacher of the Year and he will report to the Board at the next board meeting.

VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS -

- A. Student Liaison – Dana Higueros
Ms. Higueros reported on the school activities. (See attached report).
- B. Finance Committee – Andrew Grippa (Chairperson), Javier Acosta, Rosemary Huzovic – **N/R**
- C. Curriculum Committee - Claudia Narvaez (Chairperson), Rosemary Huzovic, Maryam Juliet Inan – **N/R**
- D. Operations Committee – William Pych (Chairperson), Rosemary Huzovic, Andrew Grippa – **N/R**
- E. Personnel Committee – Ralph Morilla (Chairperson), William Pych, Maryam Juliet Inan – **N/R**
- F. Policy Committee – _____ (Chairperson), Rosemary Huzovic, Claudia Narvaez- Mrs. Huzovic stated that the second reading of policies is on tonight’s agenda.
- G. NJSBA/Legislative Delegate – Claudia Narvaez Alternates: - Mrs. Narvaez stated that there is meeting tonight which some board members are attending.

IX. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION -

Mrs. Huzovic stated that there was a walk-in Resolution #43 – Approval to Suspend Employee ID#0003 - BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the suspension of employee #0003, for the period beginning on March 21, 2019 and ending April 3, 2019.

X. Motion to move into PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS Session of the Meeting (Resolutions and Discussion Items Only).

Statements made by individual participants are limited to a duration of five (5) minutes unless otherwise announced at the beginning of the discussion. The Board urges large groups to select one person to represent them. The Board reminds those individuals who take the opportunity to speak to please step up to the microphone, identify themselves by name and address, and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda. The Board may or may not respond to issues raised by members of the public. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks all members of the public to be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, the Board discourages comments regarding students and employees and will not respond to such comments. Please note that after the public discussion is closed by the President, no other questions or comments from the audience will be permitted until the “Questions and Comments from the Audience on Any Topic of Concern” at the end of the agenda. At that time, questions do not have to be confined to agenda items.

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Morilla.
Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

XI. Motion to close PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS Session of the Meeting.

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Grippa.
Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

XII. BOARD COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION

1. CONSENT RESOLUTION – Roll Call

Motion to approve the following consent items
2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,
32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42 and 43:

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Grippa

ROLL CALL

Mr. Acosta	Absent
Mr. Grippa	Aye except Recuse #3 - Payroll & Health Benefits
Mrs. Inan	Absent
Mr. Morilla	Aye
Mrs. Narvaez	Aye
Mr. Pych	Absent
Mrs. Huzovic	Aye except Recuse #3 - Payroll & Health Benefits and #13 –Anna Maric

FINANCE – (Items 2-11)

2. MINUTES – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the minutes of the March 14, 2019 Work Session/Business Meeting and Executive Session (**REF#0328-01**):

3. BILL LIST – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the bill list from the month of March 2019 (**REF#0328-02**):

March 28, 2018 Vendor Batch 2	\$ 944,646.35
February Payroll	\$2,409,607.21
February Health Benefits	\$ 494,745.36

4. BOARD SECRETARY REPORT- Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the Board Secretary Report for the period ending February 28, 2019 (**REF#0328-03**):

5. CASH REPORT- Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the Cash Report for the period ending February 28, 2019 (**REF#0328-04**):

6. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S CERTIFICATION – Consent

Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:23-2.11(d), I, Julyana Ortiz, School Business Administrator, certify that as of February 28, 2019 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and 18A:22-8.2.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:23-2.11(d), I, Julyana Ortiz, School Business Administrator, certify that as of February 28, 2019 no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:23-2.11(b).

Motion to certify, pursuant to N.J.A.C.6:23-2.11(e), that as of February 28, 2019, after review of the Board Secretary’s monthly report (appropriations sections) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-

expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:23-2.11(e), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year:

7. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFER** – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the budget transfer for February 2019 in the amount of \$255,633.00 as attached (**REF#0328-05**):

8. **APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISERS** - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following fundraisers for the 2018-2019 school year (**REF#0328-06**):

- A.) **Girls Soccer** to hold a **Cheesecake/Pie Sale** from April 1 through April 15, 2019 to raise money for purchase of team clothing.
- B.) **REPTA** to hold a **Spring Walk-A-Thon** at Bergen Blvd., Shaler Academy and Slocum Skewes School on April 12, 2019 to raise money to help our district schools.
- C.) **Slocum Skewes Student Council** to hold an **Annual Talent Show** on May 16, 2019 to raise money to assist student council activities and end of year trip.
- D.) **Slocum Skewes Student Council** to hold a **Jeans for Troops** on May 29, 2019 to raise money for the GI Go Fund to assist veterans.

9. **ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM REPTA**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education accepts a donation of \$1,000.00 from REPTA to be used towards the purchase of the Digital Message Board at Slocum Skewes School:

10. **ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM KPAC**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education accepts a donation of \$1,520.00 from KPAC to be used towards the purchase of the Digital Message Board at Slocum Skewes School:

11. **APPROVAL OF TUITION CONTRACTS FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR BETWEEN THE RIDGEFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS** – Consent

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BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the tuition contracts for the 2018/2019 academic year between the Ridgefield Board of Education, receiving district, and the sending districts as follows:

District	SID	Amount
Dumont	3478532434	\$11,074.76
Edgewater	6454169911	\$23,756.29
Fairview	5443421871	\$2,666.49
Fairview	4606347062	\$16,266.02
Lodi	6315605153	\$14,159.51
North Bergen	2766303480	\$49,330.00
North Bergen	1914941387	\$24,798.58
Ridgefield Park	8541177541	\$15,998.89

STUDENT SERVICES – (Item 12)

12. APPROVAL OF CLASS TRIPS - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following class trips for the 2018-2019 school year:

Teacher Name	Location	Purpose	Date	School	Learning Center	General Ed.	Number of Students Attending
Robert Robins Kristen Caportorto Maria Parisi Pam Medina Debbie Becker Ralph Cheuveret Hope Yuschak Manal Hajmahmoud Elsie King	ICON 21 & Over Program	For transition requirements as per IEP	3/29/19	RMHS	X		13
Robert Robins Kristen Caportorto Gerlyn Vega Maria Parisi	Gamers Paradise	Students will use Gamers to increase socialization in	4/12/19	RMHS	X		16

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Pam Medina Debbie Becker Ralph Cheuveret Hope Yuschak Manal Hajmahmoud Elsie King		the natural setting of the community.					
Janine Minervini Jeri O'Byrne Jessica Pizzuta Rosa Milutin Maria Garcia Doreen Neary JoMarie Giacari Leda Altiparmak Lisa Sancillo Brian Guidi Sue Castillo Mercy Brenner	The Hermitage Museum	To use communication skills and hands on learning about family life on a colonial farm	4/22/19	SS	X		25
Robert Robins Kristen Capotorto Gerlyn Vega Maria Parisi Pam Medina Debbie Becker Ralph Cheuveret Hope Yuschak Manal Hajmahmoud Elsie King	Lodi Lanes	To increase socialization, communication and money skills in the natural setting of the community	4/26/19	RMHS	X		16
Matt Polifrone Russ Thompson Irene Voight	UTI Bloomfield Campus	Tour of the school, review of jobs available for automotive and diesel transportation technicians	4/26/19	RMHS		X	30
Tom Voorhis Darla Ferdinand Lejla Buzancic Laura D'Amico Marilena Ferraiuolo Thomas Schreck	Hershey, Gettysburg and Lancaster, PA	Chorus Competition	5/3-5/5/19	RMHS		X	100

CURRICULUM – (Item 13)

13. APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP EXPENDITURES - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following workshop participation and expenditures:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Workshop</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Anna Maric	Executive Functioning and Organization Skills	Oradell	3/29/19	NO COST
Anna Suttora Kelvin Hiciano	Spring 2019 SEMI Regional Meeting	East Orange	4/2/19	NO COST

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Veronica Wilenta	NJABA Conference	Somerset	4/5/19	\$250.00
Lauren Larkin	Issuing Officer Training for Employment Certificates	Stockton Univ.	4/17/19	NO COST
Vanessa Martyniuk	NJPSA Webinar	Online	4/23, 5/7 & 5/21/19	\$40.00 per webinar
Ken Fugowski	NJASECD Conference	Rider Univ.	5/31/19	\$149.00
Julyana Ortiz Kelvin Hiciano	NJASBO	Atlantic City, NJ	6/4-6/7/19	Not to Exceed \$800 pp
Alyssa Blum Nicole Valentine Kathleen Estevez	PECS Level 2 Training	New York	6/10-6/11/19	\$429.00 pp

OPERATIONS – (Items)

PERSONNEL – (Items 14-22)

14. ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF ROBIN DERITO– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education accepts the resignation for retirement purposes of Robin DeRito, teacher, effective retroactive from September 30, 2018:

15. APPOINTMENT OF SEVIL NAGHSHBANDI AS PART TIME 1:1 TEACHER ASSISTANT AT RMHS - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Sevil Naghshbandi as a part time 1:1 teacher assistant (paid by Guttenberg) at RMHS at a rate of \$15.85 per hour, beginning April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

16. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Zakiah Ekhrewhish as a district substitute teacher, at a rate of \$110 per diem, to be used on an as needed basis, effective April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

17. **APPOINTMENT OF JAKE ZARAH, M.D. AS DISTRICT SCHOOL
-Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Jake Zarah, M.D as district school physician, at a salary of \$18,000 beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

18. **APPOINTMENT OF OLIVIA SUTTORA AS A SUBSTITUTE BUS
AIDE – Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Olivia Suttora as a substitute bus aide for a.m. & p.m. for the 2018-2019 school year:

19. **APPROVAL OF OBSERVATION HOURS FOR HEYLIN VALDEZ –
Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves Heylin Valdez, Montclair State University student, to conduct thirty-five (35) hours of observation (under the supervision of Nicole Schneider) at Bergen Blvd. School during the 2018-2019 school year:

20. **APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPER CONFRANCESCO AS PHYSICAL
EDUCATION TEACHER AT RMHS- Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Christopher Confrancesco as a physical education teacher at RMHS at a pro-rated salary of \$49,267 BA step 2 beginning March 29, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

21. **APPOINTMENT OF MANAL HAJMAHMOUD AS FULL TIME
TEACHER ASSISTANT AT RMHS - Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Manal Hajmahmoud as a full time teacher assistant at RMHS at a pro-rated salary of \$20,943 step 1, beginning April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

22. **APPOINTMENT OF FREDI NOLASCO AS SCHOOL SAFETY MONITOR AT RMHS - Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints Fredi Nolasco as a school safety monitor at RMHS at a pro-rated salary of \$30,000 beginning April 22, 2019 through June 30, 2019:

POLICY – (Items 23-41)

23. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #2415.06 – UNSAFE SCHOOL CHOICE OPTION - Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #2415.06 – Unsafe School Choice Option (REF#0328-07):

24. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #2422 – HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION – Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #2422 – Health and Physical Education (REF#0328-08):

25. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #2431.3 – PRACTICE AND PRE-SEASON HEAT-ACCLIMATION FOR SCHOOL SPONSORED ATHLETICS AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES– Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #2431.3– Practice and Pre-Season Heat-Acclimation for School Sponsored Athletics and Extra-Curricular Activities (REF#0328-09):

26. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #2610 – EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM EVALUATION– Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #2610 – Educational Program Evaluation (**REF#0328-10**):

27. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #4219 – COMMERCIAL DRIVER’S LICENSE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL USE TESTING–**
Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #4219 – Commercial Driver’s License Controlled Substance and Alcohol Use Testing (**REF#0328-11**):

28. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5111 – ELIGIBILITY OF RESIDENT/NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS–** Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Non-Resident Students (**REF#0328-12**):

29. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5330.04 – ADMINISTERING AN OPIOID ANTIDOTE–** Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5330.04 – Administering an Opioid Antidote (**REF#0328-13**):

30. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #5337 – SERVICE ANIMALS–** Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #5337 – Service Animals (**REF#0328-14**):

31. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5600 – STUDENT DISCIPLINE/CODE OF CONDUCT**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5600 – Student Discipline/Code of Conduct (**REF#0328-15**):

32. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5611 – REMOVAL OF STUDENTS FOR FIREARMS OFFENSES**–Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5611 – Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (**REF#0328-16**):

33. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5612 – ASSAULTS ON DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS OR EMPLOYEES**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5612 – Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (**REF#0328-17**):

34. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #5613 – REMOVAL OF STUDENTS FOR ASSAULTS WITH WEAPONS OFFENSES**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #5613 – Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (**REF#0328-18**):

35. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #5756 – TRANSGENDER STUDENTS**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the

second reading and adoption of revised policy #5756 – Transgender Students (REF#0328-19):

36. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #7440 – SCHOOL DISTRICT SECURITY**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #7440 – School District Security (REF#0328-20):

37. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY AND REGULATION #8461 – REPORTING VIOLENCE, VANDALISM, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING, ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG OFFENSES**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy and regulation #8461 – Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and other Drug Offenses (REF#0328-21):

38. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #8561 – PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMS**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #8561 – Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs (REF#0328-22):

39. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY #8860 – MEMORIALS**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised policy #8860 – Memorials (REF#0328-23):

40. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED REGULATION #2460.8 - SPECIAL EDUCATION – FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION**–Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised regulation #2460.8 – Special Education – Free and Appropriate Public Education (**REF#0328-24**):

41. **APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF REVISED REGULATION #5530 – SUBSTANCE ABUSE**–Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the second reading and adoption of revised regulation #5530 – Substance Abuse (**REF#0328-25**):

LEGAL – (Item 42)

42. **AFFIRMATION OF HIB CASE 082** - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby affirms the Interim Superintendent’s decision and finding of no HIB offense in HIB Investigation No 082 for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent’s decision to the students’ parents and directs the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator to transmit a copy of the Board’s decision to the affected students’ parents forthwith.

43. **APPROVAL TO SUSPEND EMPLOYEE ID#0003** - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the suspension of employee #0003, for the period beginning on March 21, 2019 and ending April 3, 2019.

XV. Motion to move into **PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS** Session of the meeting (any items).

Please follow the guidelines as stated under “Questions and Comments from the audience on Agenda items”.

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Grippa.
Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

XVI. Motion to close **PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS** Session of the meeting.

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Grippa.
Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Huzovic stated that she went to the high school play and it she really enjoyed it and the students did a great job.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the business meeting of the Board of Education at 8:13 p.m.

Motion made by Mrs. Narvaez, seconded by Mr. Grippa.
Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

Respectfully submitted by,

Julyana Ortiz
Business Administrator/Board Secretary