

**SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2021  
RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
555 CHESTNUT STREET, RIDGEFIELD, NJ 07657**

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A Special Meeting of the Ridgefield Board of Education will be held on April 21, 2021. This meeting will be held remotely as per guidelines to the public posted on the Ridgefield School District’s website. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Michael Jacobs.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

At 7:04 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”.

**Ms. Ortiz may we have a roll call.**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

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

**Ms. Ortiz may we have a roll call please**

There being six members present, a quorum was declared.

Also present were:

Dr. Letizia Pantoliano – Interim Superintendent of Schools  
Julyana Ortiz – Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**V. Motion to move into PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS Session of the Meeting.**

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

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Mrs. Narvaez stated there were no comments at this time in the chat box.

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

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

**VI. BOARD COMMENTS RESOLUTIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY.**

**VII. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION**

Motion to approve items #1,2 and 3:

**Ms. Ortiz may we have a roll call please**

Roll Call	
Mr. Acosta	Absent
Mr. Grippa	Aye
Mrs. Inan	Nay
Mr. Morilla	Recuse
Mrs. Narvaez	Aye
Mr. Psych	Aye
Mr. Jacobs	Aye

**OPERATIONS- (Items 1-3)**

1. **APPROVAL OF SLOCUM SKEWES MODULAR UNITS REPLACEMENT PROJECT**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the submission of a Project Application to the New Jersey Department of Education for the Slocum Skewes School Modular Units Replacement Project. This project is an “Other Capital” project and the Board of Education is not seeking state funding.

2. **AUTHORIZATION OF LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN AMENDMENT-SLOCUM SKEWES MODULAR UNITS REPLACEMENT**-Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education authorizes the amendment of the current Long Range Facilities Plan to include the Slocum Skewes School Modular Units Replacement Project.

3. **AUTHORIZATION OF LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN MAJOR AMENDMENT**-Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education authorizes the submission of the Major Amendment to the District’s Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP) as prepared by FKA Architects.

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

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

Mrs. Narvaez stated there were no comments at this time in the chat box.

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

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

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the special meeting of the Board of Education at 7:09 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