

**BUSINESS MEETING OF JUNE 24, 2021
RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
555 CHESTNUT STREET, RIDGEFIELD, NJ 07657**

A Business Meeting of the Ridgefield Board of Education will be held on June 24, 2021. This meeting will be held remotely as per guidelines to the public posted on the Ridgefield School District's website.

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:01 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 please.

IV. ROLL CALL

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

Also present were:

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

V. Motion to Convene in EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION for School Board Training, Personnel, Legal, Negotiations, Attorney/Client Privilege and/or Student Matters items, at 7:05 p.m.

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

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

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pursuant to the following designated sub-section(s) of Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act-

- () 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 7:39 p.m.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Title III Mentoring Program Presentation – Dr. Tamika DePass

Dr. DePass stated the The Ridgefield School District used it's Title III

Immigrant funds to implement a mentoring program. Based on the grant's parameters, 84 students who have been in the country three years or less were eligible for participation. Twelve mentors worked with students and families for approximately ten hours during the program that ran from May 3 - June 15. Mentors visited with students at their homes and in public spaces as well as ran a variety of programs and activities that students enjoyed. Parents were able to talk with a school contact to get much needed information. The District hopes to expand the mentoring program to more students next year.

VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS -

- A. Student Liaison – Sophia Popp
- B. Finance Committee – Andrew Grippa (Chairperson), Ralph Morilla, Michael Jacobs
- C. Curriculum Committee – Claudia Narvaez (Chairperson), Michael Jacobs, Javier Acosta
- D. Operations Committee – William Pych (Chairperson), Andrew Grippa, Michael Jacobs
- E. Personnel Committee – Ralph Morilla (Chairperson), Maryam Juliet Inan, William Pych,
- F. Policy Committee – Ralph Morilla (Chairperson), Maryam Juliet Inan, Javier Acosta
- G. NJSBA/Legislative Delegate – Claudia Narvaez - Alternates: Michael Jacobs

IX. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION -

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

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

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 type their question into the “chat” box, 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.

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

Motion passed by Mr. Pych, seconded by Mr. Grippa.

Motion passed unanimously by Board Members present.

XI. BOARD COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

XIII. 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,
32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43 and 44:

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

Ms. Ortiz may we have a roll call please.

Mr. Acosta	Absent
Mr. Grippa	Aye except Recuse \$27
Mrs. Inan	Aye
Mr. Morilla	Aye
Mrs. Narvaez	Aye
Mr. Pych	Aye
Mr. Jacobs	Aye

FINANCE – (Items 2-22)

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 May 27, 2021 Work Session/Business Meeting and Executive Session (**REF#0624-01**):

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 June 2021 (**REF#0624-02**):

June 24, 2021 Vendor Batch 1	\$ 214,155.82
June 24, 2021 Vendor Batch 2	\$ 38,811.30

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 May 31, 2021 (**REF#0624-03**):

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 periods ending May 31, 2021 (**REF#0624-04**):

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 May 31, 2021 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 May 31, 2021 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 May 31, 2021, 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 month of April 2021 in the amount of \$199,276.00 as attached (**REF#0624-05**):

8. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE NECESSARY TRANSFERS TO CLOSE THE BOOKS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR - Consent

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BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to make necessary transfers to close the books for the 2020-2021 school year and to report those transfers to the Board at the next scheduled meeting:

9. APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL DATA SERVICES – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves purchasing through Educational Data Services for the 2020-2021 school year from the vendors list as attached (**REF#0624-06**):

10. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATION FOR TUITION RESERVE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the appropriation for Tuition Reserve 2020-2021 school year in an amount not to exceed \$800,000, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.4 (3):

11. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL RESERVE – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves an increase to the Capital Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000, pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:21-2 and 3, and 18A:7G-31:

12. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATION FOR MAINTENANCE RESERVE-

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves an increase to the Maintenance Reserve account to be used to implement required maintenance of Ridgefield's school facilities in an amount not to exceed \$520,000, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2:

13. APPROVAL OF ALL PURCHASES FOR VENDORS OVER \$44,000.00 AS OF JUNE 20, 2021 – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves all purchases for vendor's over \$44,000.00 as of June 20, 2021:

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Vendor Name	Purpose	Amount
Academy Furniture & Supplies	Teachers & Staff Desk Shields & Dividers	\$64,343.80
Achieve 3000	Blended Learning Program	\$54,115.00
Apple Computer	District MacBooks and iPads	\$248,272.00
Aspiris	District Network & Ethernet Drop	\$44,123.88
Bergen County Special Services	Student Tuition & Hospital Instruction	\$90,941.78
Bergen County Technical Schools	Student Tuition	\$412,548.85
Best Choice Home Care	District Sub-Nurse	\$55,500.00
Beyer Ford	Replacement Pickup & Rack Truck	\$77,251.00
Bonnie Brae	Student Tuition	\$62,160.00
Borough of Ridgefield	Shaler Bond Payments, Property Rent, Willis Field Maint., Class III Officer & Town Pool Use	\$585,000.00
Cablevision LightPath Inc.	Internet & Phone Contract	\$192,627.41
CDW Government Inc.	1-1 Chromebooks, Printers/Scanners, & IT Supplies	\$267,720.57
Direct Energy	Gas Utilities	\$66,621.59
Eastern Datacomm	District Security System	\$433,147.97
Gallagher, Arthur J.	Bond Insurance Renewal	\$116,107.00
Hertz Furniture System Corp.	District Furniture	\$63,750.41
Kencor Inc.	Elevator Repairs & Maintenance	\$50,339.30
Keyboard Consultants Inc.	Promethian Smartboards	\$42,427.31
Leckie, John	Transportation Services	\$85,634.22
Lerch, Vinci & Higgins	Auditor Fees	\$54,780.25
Northeast Bergen County School Board Insurance	Worker's Compensation & Insured Assessment	\$423,513.26
Pomptonian Food Service	District Food Service	\$318,136.29
Public Service Elec. & Gas	Gas & Electric Utilities	\$267,929.95
Region V Council for Special Education Services	Transportation, Sub-Nurse & Direct Services	\$390,738.04
Rubbercycle	Shaler Playground Replacement	\$80,750.00
School Specialty	Classroom Supplies	\$55,125.93
Shaw's Complete Security	District Door Replacement	\$67,053.80
Staples	COVID Supplies & Classroom Supplies	\$57,727.17
The CTC Academy	Student Tuition	\$91,361.00
US Bancorp Governmental Leasing & Finance	Modular Space Lease Payments (Bergen Blvd.)	\$90,662.49

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14. REPORT OF AWARDED CONTRACTS BY THE RIDGEFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47 the Ridgefield 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 23, and Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements 2CFR, Part200:

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Vendor Name	Approval Date
Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP	3/22/2018
Northeast Bergen County School Board Insurance	2/28/2019
Cablevision Lightpath	4/11/2019
Delta Dental	6/27/2019
Pomptonian Food Service 2020-2021	4/30/2020
Arthur Gallagher Risk Management Services	6/25/2020
Dr. Thomas Bottiglieri/Columbia Orthopedics	6/25/2020
Region V Shared Service Agreement	6/25/2020
AM Consultants	7/1/2020
AmeriFlex	7/1/2020
AT&T	7/1/2020
ATC Services	7/1/2020
Atlantic Tomorrow Solutions	7/1/2020
Bergen County Technical Schools	7/1/2020
Blackboard	7/1/2020
Bruce Cerra	7/1/2020
Computer Solutions	7/1/2020
CP-DBS, LLC dba PaySchools	7/1/2020
Direct Energy	7/1/2020
E-Z Pass	7/1/2020
Exxon Wex-Bank	7/1/2020
Frontline Technologies	7/1/2020
Great American Financial Services (Postage Machine)	7/1/2020
Genesis Educational Service	7/1/2020
Health Smart Benefits	7/1/2020
Jersey Mail Systems - (CMRS-FP)	7/1/2020

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JP Morgan Chase	7/1/2020
Mettel	7/1/2020
Municipal Capital Finance	7/1/2020
Nestle Water	7/1/2020
Phoenix Advisors	7/1/2020
Stanley Convergent Security	7/1/2020
Sunoco Wex-Bank	7/1/2020
TransAmerica Occidental Life Insurance Co.	7/1/2020
US Bancorp Governmental Leasing & Finance	7/1/2020
Verizon Networkfleet - Bus Tracking	7/1/2020
Verizon/ Verizon Wireless	7/1/2020
Western & Pest Control	7/1/2020
John Leckie, Inc. 2020-2021	9/10/2020
Benecard Services for Prescription Benefits	10/15/2020
Best Choice Home Care LLC	10/29/2020
Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs LLC Board Attorneys	1/6/2021
Educational Data Services	1/6/2021
FKA Architects - Feitlowitz & Kosten, PA	1/6/2021
Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission	1/6/2021
Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP Auditors	1/6/2021
Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission	1/6/2021
National Joint Powers Alliance	1/6/2021
Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc. - Asbestos Management & PEOSHA Compliance	1/6/2021
Western States Contracting Alliance	1/6/2021

15. APPROVAL OF PURCHASES THROUGH EDUCATIONAL DATA SERVICES AND OTHER EDUCATION SERVICES COMMISSION AS OF JUNE 20, 2021 - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following purchases through Educational Data Services and other education services commission as of June 20, 2020:

VENDOR

· Academy Furniture & Supplies	\$ 64,343.80
· Ackerson Drapery	\$ 4,896.00
· Beyer Ford	\$ 32,750.50
· Camcor Inc.	\$ 3,365.76
· Carolina Biological Supply	\$ 1,407.27
· CDW Government	\$269,295.45

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· Cliffside Body	\$ 16,314.00
· Combustion Service Corp	\$ 30,554.00
· Cooper Electrical Supply	\$ 2,143.69
· E.A Morse & Co	\$ 2,501.99
· GL Group	\$ 41,000.00
· Henry Schein Inc.	\$ 1,295.83
· Hertz Furniture	\$ 63,750.41
· Interboro Packaging Co	\$ 4,457.70
· J. Frankel Distributors	\$ 6,795.75
· John A Earl Inc.	\$24,498.43
· Kencor Inc.	\$51,873.00
· Keyboard Consultant	\$55,270.90
· Lakeshore	\$ 1,285.78
· Mathusek Inc.	\$ 3,445.00
· Nasco	\$ 5,248.54
· Passon's Sports/BSN Sports	\$ 1,391.34
· Rubbercycle	\$96,500.00
· School Health Corp	\$ 5,166.28
· School Specialty	\$44,641.30
· Shaw's Complete Security	\$ 3,984.00
· Silva's Mechanical Services	\$ 9,853.00
· Staples Advantage	\$19,065.60
· W.B. Mason	\$14,394.66
· W.W. Grainger	\$ 6,755.84

16. 2021-2022 DISTRICT PURCHASING AGENT – Consent

WHEREAS, 18A:18A-2 provides that a Board of Education shall assign authority, responsibility and accountability for the purchasing activity of the Board of Education to a person or persons who shall have the power to prepare advertisements, to advertise and receive bids and to award contracts as permitted by this chapter, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 provides that contract, awarded by the purchasing agent that do not need exceed in the aggregate in a contract year the bid threshold, may be awarded by the purchasing agent without advertising for bids when so authorized by board resolution, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37, c. provides that all contracts that are in the aggregate less than 15% of the bid threshold may be awarded by the purchasing agent without soliciting competitive quotations if so authorized by board resolution,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ridgefield Board of Education pursuant to the statutes cited above hereby appoints Julyana Ortiz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, until June 30, 2022 as its duly authorized purchasing agent(s) and is duly assigned

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the authority, responsibility and accountability for the purchasing activity of the Ridgefield Board of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Julyana Ortiz is hereby authorized, until June 30, 2022 to award contracts on behalf of the Ridgefield Board of Education that are in the aggregate less than 15% of the bid threshold without soliciting competitive quotation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Julyana Ortiz is hereby authorized, until June 30, 2022 to seek competitive quotations, when applicable and practicable, when contracts in the aggregate exceed 15% of the bid threshold but less than the bid threshold of \$44,000.00.

RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Ridgefield Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, in the State of New Jersey hereby sets its bid threshold to \$44,000.00:

17. APPROVAL OF DR. THOMAS BOTTIGLIERI AS SCHOOL PHYSICIAN /MEDICAL INSPECTOR - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves Dr. Thomas Bottiglieri/Columbia Orthopedics as School Physician/Medical Inspector for the 2021-2022 school year at an annual cost of \$17,500.00:

18. APPROVAL TO WRITE OFF OUTSTANDING CHECKS FROM THE BERGEN BOULEVARD SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITIES ACCOUNT – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of the Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves to write off prior year outstanding checks from the Bergen Boulevard School Student Activities account as listed as listed below:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1088	4/24/2021	22.00
1110	4/24/2021	22.00
1116	4/24/2021	22.00
1119	4/24/2021	22.00

19. **APPROVAL OF TUITION CONTRACTS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR BETWEEN THE RIDGEFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE FOLLOWING SENDING DISTRICTS** – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following tuition contracts for the 2020-2021 school year between the Ridgefield Board of Education and the following sending districts:

DISTRICT	SID	AMOUNT
Edgewater	8072341039	\$12,340.94

20. **APPROVAL OF APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE FOR THE 2021-2022 IDEA GRANT ALLOCATION** – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the application and acceptance for the 2021-2022 IDEA Grant Allocation in the following amounts:

Basic	\$362,655
Preschool	\$ 20,332

21. **APPROVAL OF APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE FOR THE 2021-2022 ESEA CONSOLIDATED GRANT**– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the application and acceptance for the 2021-2022 ESEA Consolidated Grant in the following amounts:

Title IA:	\$266,416
Title IIA:	\$49,126
Title III:	\$30,578
Title IV:	\$22,428

22. **APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF FACULTY APPLE MACBOOK AIR LAPTOPS** – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the purchase of 210 Apple Macbook Air Laptops – Apple#1062153, ESCNJ18/19-67 at the purchase price of \$232,680:

STUDENT SERVICES – (Item)

CURRICULUM – (Item 23)

23. 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>
Jacqueline Vitagliano	Making Best Use To Strengthen Math Instruction	Virtual	7/26/21	\$279.00
Mike Zunick	NJ Science Convention	Princeton	10/19 & 10/20/21	\$349.00 Registration \$255.00 - Travel

OPERATIONS – (Items 24-27)

24. APPROVAL OF DISPOSAL OF TEXTBOOKS – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the disposal of twenty-one (21) copies of Digital Photography Top 100 Simplified Tips & Tricks textbooks (published in 2003) at RMHS:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

25. APPROVAL OF RIDGEFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS PLAN FOR SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY OF SERVICE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the Ridgefield Public Schools Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service for the 2021-2022 school year:

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Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

26. APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF COMPREHENSIVE EQUITY PLAN STATEMENT

OF ASSURANCE FOR 2021-2022 – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the

Ridgefield Board of Education approves the submission of the Comprehensive Equity Plan

Statement of Assurance for 2021-2022(**REF#0624-07**):

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

27. APPROVAL SECRETARIAL AND CUSTODIAL CALENDERS FOR THE 2021-2022

SCHOOL YEAR – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools,

the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the following secretarial and custodial calendars for

the 2021-2021 school year:

Secretarial Calendar 2021-2022

- (1) July 5, 2021 (Independence Day)
- (2) September 6, 2021 (Labor Day)
- (3) September 7, 2021 (Rosh Hashanah)
- (4) September 16, 2021 (Yom Kippur)
- (5) & (6) November 4 & 5, 2021 (NJEA Convention)
- (7) & (8) November 25 & 26, 2021 (Thanksgiving Recess)
- (9) January 17, 2022 (Martin Luther King Day)
- (10) & (11) February 21 & 22, 2022 (Presidents Day Recess)
- (12) April 15, 2022 (Good Friday)
- (13) April 18, 2022 (Spring Recess)
- (14) May 30, 2022 (Memorial Day)

Custodial Calendar 2021-2022

- (1) July 5, 2021 (Independence Day)
- (2) September 6, 2021 (Labor Day)

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- (3) and (4) November 25 & 26, 2021 (Thanksgiving Recess)
- (5) December 24, 2021 (Christmas Eve)
- (6) December 25, 2021 (Christmas Day)
- (7) December 31, 2021 (New Years Eve)
- (8) January 1, 2022 (New Years Day)
- (9) January 17, 2022 (Martin Luther King Day)
- (10) & (11) February 21 & 22, 2022 (Presidents Day Recess)
- (12) April 15, 2022 (Good Friday)
- (13) April 18, 2022 (Spring Recess)
- (14) May 30, 2022 (Memorial Day)

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

PERSONNEL – (Items 28-44)

28. APPOINTMENT OF LIFEGUARDS FOR THE EXTENDED YEAR
SUMMER
PROGRAM - Consent

Schools, the
year summer

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Ridgefield Board of Education appoints the following as lifeguards for the extended program for 2021 at a rate of \$35.00 per diem:

Keanu Rodriquez	Laura Catacoli
Juliana Kim	Yanako Lajara
Jefrey Perez	Esmeralda Samayoa
Huzma Majid	

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

29. APPROVAL OF OBSERVATION FOR SYDNEY VALENTINE - Consent

Schools, the
at

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Ridgefield Board of Education approves an observation for Sydney Valentine, student

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(under Diane C. Lobosco STEM Academy, beginning July 6, 2021 through July 23, 2021
the supervision of Jillian Casella) at Shaler Academy:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

30. APPROVAL TO RESCIND THE APPOINTMENT OF PINALI CHOKSHI AS SCIENCE

TEACHER AT SLOCUM SKEWES SCHOOL – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby rescinds the appointment of Pinali Chokshi as a Science Teacher at Slocum Skewes School effective retroactive from June 9, 2021:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

31. APPROVAL OF A SUMMER ENRICHMENT/ACCELERATION PROGRAM – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby approves a summer enrichment/acceleration program and staff beginning July 1, 2021 through July 30, 2021, Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 12:00pm pending enrollment:

Teachers at \$40/hr. plus 10 hours of teacher preparation

Julia Acosta
Robert Francin
Kirsten Gambardella

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

32. APPROVAL OF LUNCH-RECESS AIDE JOB DESCRIPTION – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby approves the attached Lunch-Recess Aide Job description (**REF#0624-08**):

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

FOR 33. **APPROVAL OF DISCRETIONARY MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**
MARGARET CARUSO – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby approves a discretionary medical leave of absence for Margaret Caruso retroactive beginning June 15, 2021 with an anticipated return date of June 23, 2021:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

TIME 34. **APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT FOR PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME**
TEACHER ASSISTANTS - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves the personnel report for Part-Time and Full-Time Teacher Assistants for 2021-2022 as per the attached list submitted by the Supervisor of Special Projects and recommended by the Interim Superintendent as per salaries set forth in the Board/RTAA contract (**REF#0624-09**):

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

35. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, TEACHER ASSISTANTS**
NURSES AND SECRETARIES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR -
Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints the following district substitute teachers, teacher assistants, nurses and secretaries, to be used on an as needed basis, for the 2021-2022 school year:

Appointment of District Substitute Teachers at \$110/day:

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Fatme Abi Haidar
Angela Colasante
Zakiah Ekhrewhish
Elena Fernandez-Perez
John Forte
Yhima Hajmohamed
Dian Handschin
Leslie Henriquez
Natalia Lorenzo
Jonathan Monterosso
Gail Petermann
Madeline Shaw
Talar Yastaganca

Substitute School Nurses \$150/day field trip and \$300/day school coverage

Blanche Tornichia
Jamie Anderson
Sungkyung Keum
Julianne Popp
*Hiyoung Esther Kim
(*pending certification)

Substitute Health Care Professional -\$150/day Field Trip

Barbara DeGroot
Melissa Morales

Full Time Teacher Assistants - Teacher Substitutes- \$40/day

Kimberly Diciancia
Rose Elenio
Dallas Fugnitti
Angelina Gennarelli
Johnathan Gonzalez
Yamileth Martinez
Kelly McGovern
Doreen Neary
Jorge Reynoso
Frank Sarmiento

Summer Program Full-Time Teacher Substitutes-\$125/day

Rose DeMaio
Gina D'Amore
Alyssa Veltri
Kristen Gambardella

Summer Program Teacher Assistant Substitutes-\$70/day

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Olivia Suttora
Joan Quaregna
Sheilamaria Lopez
Michelle Boylan
Pauline Cioffi-Mendez
Julyta Goiricelaya
Elizabeth Densen
Julie Casciano

Teacher Assistant Substitutes-\$85/day

Elizabeth Densen

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

36. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT FOR MENTOR SERVICES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education approves mentor services for the 2020-2021 school year as follows:

Mentor	Novice Teacher	Amount
Danielle Crisafi	Marissa Kane	\$550
Peter Hickey	Michael Larkin	\$550
Mandie Stewart	Dabin Yi	\$550
Jacqueline Vitagliano	Jonice Concha	\$667 (pro-rated)
Catherine Cohen	Sunyong Im	\$335 (pro-rated)

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

37. REVISION OF APPOINTMENT OF EXTRA SERVICE POSITION AND STAFF - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby approves a revision to the following extra service position and staff for the 2020-2021 school year:

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<u>Staff</u>	<u>Positon</u>	<u>Step</u>	
<u>Stipend</u> Ann Behrens	Track – Assistant #3	3	\$4,517

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

38. APPOINTMENT OF BUS AIDES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR – Consent

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoints the following staff as bus aides and bus aide substitutes for the 2021-2022 school year:

Bus Aides

Debbie Becker	Dallas Fugnitti
Maria Parisi	Maria Pavalopoulos
Natalie Scaglione	

Bus Aide Substitutes

Natividad Florez	Lori Garofalo
Elizabeth Guardino	Elizabeth Hidalgo
Sondos Haimor	

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

39. ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF ANGELA ORTIZ - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education accepts the resignation of Angela Ortiz, full time teacher assistant, effective retroactive from June 22, 2021:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

40. APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE RIDGEFIELD

BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE RIDGEFIELD TEACHER ASSISTANT ASSOCIATION - Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education hereby approves the memorandum of agreement between the Ridgefield Board of Education and the Ridgefield Teacher Assistant Association effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024:

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

41. APPOINTMENT OF VIRTUAL KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION STAFF
– Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, the upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgefield Board of Education appoint the following staff for virtual Kindergarten orientation on August 23, 2021, at a rate of \$125.00 per diem:

- Karen DiSciascio
- Floriana DiSciascio
- Michelle Novick
- Gina D’Amore
- Rose DeMaio
- Alyssa Veltri
- Theresa Petrov
- Kristen Gambardella

Motion made by _____, seconded by _____.

Motion approved by a roll call vote of _____ yes, _____ no, _____ abstain.

42. AUTHORIZATION OF CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL
Consent

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the

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represent them. The Board reminds those individuals who take the opportunity to speak to please type their question into the “chat” box, identify themselves by name and address. 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.

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

Second _____

XVI. NEW BUSINESS

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the business meeting of the Board of Education. Time _____

Second _____