

President Armstrong announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting.

Personnel and legal issues were discussed.

A Regular Meeting of the Riverside School Board was held on the above date in the Riverside Administration Office with President Armstrong presiding and the following members present: Caryn Emiliani, Barbara Fedor, Leigh Ann Gasper, Linda Joyce, Joseph Labrosky, Mary Antoniaci McHugh, Tara Meredick, and Dan Nenish.

Also present were Paul M. Brennan, William Drazdowski, and Raymond C. Rinaldi II

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS – None

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve minutes of 11 April 2023 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading and accept as delivered. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve payrolls of 14 April 2023 of \$425,011.96 and 28 April 2023 of \$404,311.58. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to approve estimated payrolls of 12 May 2023 of \$410,000 and 26 May 2023 of \$412,000. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to approve Treasurer's Report for March 2023 and the un-reconciled ending balances for April 30, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve and pay bills when found correct and funds are available. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Daniel Digwood as Athletic Director effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Josh Aniska as Boys' Basketball Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Justin Kearney as Girls' Basketball Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Jared Bonda as Equipment Manager effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to post for the following positions effective the 2023-2024 school year at stipends established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement: Boys' Assistant Basketball Coach; Boys' Freshman Basketball Coach; Boys' Junior High Basketball Coach; Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach; Girls' Junior High Basketball Coach. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve the Leave Request of Megan Gerlach, Secondary Teacher, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office.

Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to post for Seasonal Maintenance Workers.

Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve the following Use of Facilities

Request(s): **SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S): Riverside Drama Club/Spring Play –**

Grease Cast Party – High School Auditorium – May 23, 2023 – 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.*;

Riverside HS Family & Consumer Science Department - Senior Picnic – High School outside

FACS Rooms – May 26, 2023 – 7:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.*; **Aevidum -** Mental Health Awareness

Fair – Riverside Soccer Field (High School Auxiliary Gym, if rain) – May 25, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. –

2:00 p.m.*; **CSBBH -** CSBBH Summer Work Schedule & Summer Program – Riverside

Elementary East – Multi-Purpose Room/Library/Playground - July 5, 2023 – August 18, 2023 –

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*; **Riverside Cheerleaders -** Youth Cheer Camp – Riverside High School

Gym – August 15 – 17, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*; **Riverside Cheerleaders -** Pep Rally –

Riverside Football Stadium – August 24, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.*; **Northeast Suicide**

Prevention Initiative – High School Auditorium – August 20, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.*;

NON-SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S): Natalie Winters - Adult Basketball Games –

High School Gymnasiums – June 6, 2023 – August 8, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Tuesday

evenings; and **Scranton Police/SWAT** – High School Track – May 24, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. – 10:00

a.m. – SWAT Training. Use is contingent upon adherence to the Use of Facilities Policy. *The

School Board recognizes that this is a school-sponsored event.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Heather DeNinno as ESY Teacher effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Melissa DiStasi as ESY Teacher effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Bianca Gifford as ESY Teacher effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Kelly Osmolia as ESY Teacher effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Lori Bradley as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Janette Gallagher as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to appoint Amy Juba as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to appoint Kelly Kundla as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Beverly Leasure as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to appoint Leyvina Leon as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to appoint Antonella Telipski as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Danielle Westington as ESY Aide effective the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to approve the following Policy Guides:

137 - Home Education Programs, 551 - Drug and Substance Abuse, 819.1 - Student/Staff Memorials, and 824 - Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the Dual Credit Affiliation Agreement between Penn State University and Riverside School District. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Jordyn Kudzinowski as Aide.

This position is for 6 hours per day, 5 ½ hours paid, ½ hour unpaid lunch at \$13.25 per hour.

Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve Joseph Bugno, Donna Kopko, and Griselda Inoa Peguero as Krise bus drivers for the 2022-2023 school year. Proper clearances, insurance, and paperwork will be processed through Krise. Krise should notify Scott Pentasuglio if any clearances are in question. Krise will also provide Riverside School District access to the clearances of their drivers. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to post for the attached list of extra-curricular positions effective the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the attached Agreement for Legal Services for Social Media Litigation. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to adopt the district's proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year showing estimated expenditures in the amount of \$30,987,485, requiring a milage rate of 128.73. The proposed budget will be available for public inspection on the Riverside School District website or by emailing the Business Manager. Roll call vote: YES, Antoniaci McHugh, Gasper, Nenish, Meredick, Emiliani, Labrosky, Joyce, Fedor, and Armstrong.

Business Manager's Report – Mr. Drazdowski discussed the budget and grants.

Solicitor's Report - None

Academic Affairs Committee Report – Mrs. Joyce reported that the PSSA testing is over and that the school year is winding down.

Athletic Committee Report - None

Facilities Committee Report – Mrs. Fedor gave an update on completed and ongoing projects, including the Pole Barn at the track. She also reported on the soft opening of the SKOLastic Commons with Riverside alumni.

Metz employee of the month is Rohni Ganim.

Finance Committee Report – Ms. Antoniaci McHugh reported on the budget.

NEIU 19 Report - None

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan reported that he and Mr. Drazdowski are applying for a lot of grants. Some of the grants are the STOP Violence grant (DOJ), the Innovative Approaches to Literacy (partnership with Hanover Area SD), the Clean School Bus grant, the Route 6 and Community Re-Invest grant (East façade improvement), and the Greenways, Trails and Roads Program grant.

OLD BUSINESS - None

OPEN – Allison Karpinski, Taylor, Mike Zimorowicz, Taylor, and Lori Norris, Moosic, all spoke about student athletes' mental health concerns and playing time.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to adjourn. Roll call vote: All in favor.