

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 Mrs. Meredick to approve minutes of 13 February 2023

Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading and accept as delivered. Roll call vote:

All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve payrolls of 3

February 2023 of \$400,797.88 and 17 February 2023 of \$429,463.43. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve estimated payrolls of 3 March 2023

of \$412,000, 17 March 2023 of \$415,000, and 31 March 2023 of \$417,000. Roll call vote:

All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to approve Treasurer's Report for January 2023 and the un-reconciled ending balances for February 28, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to approve and pay bills when found correct and funds are available. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Marty Gramigna as Football Assistant Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Brian Jones as Football Assistant Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to appoint James Tucker as Football Assistant Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Jessica McCauley as Junior High Cross Country effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Lindsay Grzybowski as Assistant Unit Advisor effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to authorize donations for facility use for the 2022-2023 season to the following: Taylor Borough c/o Taylor Little League – field use \$1,200, Moosic Borough Recreation – field use \$1,500, and Taylor Borough Recreation – field use \$1,500. Checks to be released upon approval of Superintendent. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the following Policy Guides: 102 - Academic Standards, 105 – Curriculum, 105.1 - Review of Instructional Material by Parents/Guardians and Students, 105.2 - Exemption from Instruction, 109 - Resource Materials, 112 - Guidance Counseling, 113 - Special Education, 116 – Tutoring, 117 - Homebound Instruction, 120 - Human Development Program, 121 - Field Trips, 122 - Extracurricular Activities, 122.1 - Equal Access, 123 - Interscholastic Athletics, 124 - Alternative Instruction, 127 – Assessments, 137.1 - Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students, 138 - Language Instruction Educational Program for English Learners, 140 - Charter Schools, 140.1- Extracurricular Participation by Charter/Cyber Charter Students, 141 - Online Courses, 142 - Migrant Students, 143 - Standards for Persistently Dangerous Schools, 144- Standards for Victims of Violent Crimes, 146 - Student Services, and 246 - Wellness Policy. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to appoint Kimberly Higgins as Full-Time Secretary. Roll call vote: YES, Gasper, Nenish, Meredick, Emiliani, Joyce, Labrosky, Antoniaci McHugh, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve the Letter of Intent to Resign from Hannah Miller, Aide, effective February 24, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

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

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to post for a Translator. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to accept the bid proposal from Comcast for Category 1 Internet services, as posted on the FCC Form 470 # 230011662 to purchase the following services for a 60-month term beginning on July 1, 2023: One Internet circuit providing 1Gbps of bandwidth at a monthly recurring cost of \$832.50. The circuit will be located at 310 Davis Street, Taylor, PA. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve the following Use of Facilities Request(s): **SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Riverside Vikings PTA – Riverside Elementary East Multi-Purpose Room – PTA Meeting – March 15, 2023*; and Riverside Vikings PTA – Riverside Elementary East Multi-Purpose Room – PTA Fundraiser Distribution – May 6, 2023*. Use is contingent upon adherence to the District Policy on Use of Facilities.

*The School Board recognizes that this is a school sponsored event. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Gasper, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Scranton Counseling Center and the Riverside School District. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to approve the attached Settlement Agreement for Grievance 2017-01. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to authorize Paul Brennan, Superintendent to execute any and all documents related to the GOVERNMENT ENTITY RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS in the matter of the Juul Labs Inc. ("JLI"), Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to post for two Spring Weightlifting Instructors. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Mrs. Gasper to approve the Riverside Cheerleaders to attend a cheer camp at Pine Forest on August 18 – 21, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Mrs. Armstrong clarified for the audience that the Board is given edits on the policy guides in advance of the board meeting.

Business Manager's Report – Mr. Drazdowski congratulated Kim Higgins on her appointment to Secretary. He stated that using the Taylor and Moosic borough sports fields is a great benefit to Riverside. He also reported on grants.

Solicitor's Report – None

Academic Affairs Committee – Mrs. Joyce reported on the upcoming standardized testing season. She also reported on the benefits of our dual enrollment programs.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. Fedor reporting on completed and on-going projects. Joseph Gnall is the Metz employee of the month.

Finance Committee – Ms. Antoniacci McHugh recognized Mr. Brennan and Mr. Drazdowski for their work on obtaining grants.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Nenish reporting on the upcoming Spring sports season.

NEIU 19 Report – Ms. Emiliani reported that the NEIU meeting scheduled for tomorrow with Senator Flynn has been postponed due to weather.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan stated that the high school play Grease will be this weekend. He reported on the recent reading competition results. He acknowledged Grace Killino's retirement and her 34 years of driving with Riverside. He also welcomed Kim Higgins to her new position at Riverside. He reported on a successful winter sports season – recognizing both Nathan Oliphant and Lacey Danilovitz on their state and national level achievements. He stated that information on our grants can be found on our website.

OLD BUSINESS – Mrs. Armstrong stated that Committee Meetings will be held as scheduled on March 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

OPEN – None.

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