

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: Barbara Fedor, Linda Joyce, Joseph Labrosky, Mary Antoniaci McHugh, Tara Meredith, and Dan Nenish. Absent: Caryn Emiliani and Leigh Ann Gasper.

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

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS – None

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredith to approve minutes of 10 October 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 Mr. Labrosky to approve payrolls of 13 October 2023 of \$415,493.97 and 27 October 2023 of \$450,846.14. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredith, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve estimated payrolls of 10 November 2023 of \$417,000 and 24 November 2023 of \$420,000. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredith, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve Treasurer's Report for September 2023 and the unreconciled balances as of October 31, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, 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. Fedor to appoint Sean Hughes as Baseball Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Nenish, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Labrosky, Fedor, Armstrong. NO, Meredith. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Katie Fox as Softball Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to appoint Jared Godlewski as Boys' Track Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredith to appoint Bryan Pica as Girls' Track Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, second by Mr. Labrosky to appoint Josh Godlewski as Junior High Track Head Coach effective the 2023-2024 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to post for the following positions effective the 2023-2024 school year at stipends outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement: Baseball Assistant Coach, Baseball Junior Varsity Coach, Baseball Junior High Coach Softball Assistant Coach, Softball Junior Varsity Coach, Softball Junior High Coach Boys' Track Assistant Coach, Girls' Track Assistant Coach, Junior High Track Assistant Coach, and Winter Weightlifting Instructors (2). Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to approve the attached list of student activity accounts for the 2023-2024 school year: High School Student Activity Fund, Elementary East Student Council Account, and Elementary West Student Council Account. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve an agreement, subject to Business Manager's review, with Government Software Services, Inc. for preparation and distribution of Homestead/Farmstead Notices as required by Act 1. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to allow the Riverside Cheerleaders and Band to participate in the Scranton Santa Parade on November 18, 2023. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Nenish to allow the Riverside Cheerleaders and Band to participate in the Taylor Miracle on Main Street Parade on November 24, 2023. Roll call vote:

All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Meredith, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the following Use of Facilities

Request(s): **SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Riverside Cheerleaders – High School Auditorium - Unit Show/Dress Rehearsal – February 17, 2024 (dress rehearsal) 9:00 a.m. –

1 p.m. and February 18, 2024 (unit show) 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.\*; **NON-SCHOOL**

**SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Taylor American Legion Auxiliary – Children’s Christmas Party – Riverside Jr-Sr High School Cafeteria – December 16, 2023 – 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.;

Moosic Youth Center School of Dance – Dance Recital – Riverside Jr-Sr High School

Auditorium – May 10, 2024 (dress rehearsal) 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. and May 11, 2024 (recital)

4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 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. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to appoint the positions listed in Attachment

A. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Meredith to approve the Riverside Comprehensive

Plan. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Labrosky to appoint Bernie McDonald as Secondary Science Teacher at Step 15, Bachelor's column at a pro-rated salary of 58,746. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the attached Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between Pennoni Associates, Inc. and the Riverside School District. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Business Manager's Report – Mr. Drazdowski gave an update on grants, the preliminary budget, and the RFP for a food service contract. He thanked Donna Gilroy, retiring food service director, for a job well done. The new food service director is Ashley Turpack.

Solicitor's Report - None

Academic Affairs Committee – Mrs. Joyce reported on the success of the new Viking Café run by our High School Life Skills students.

NEIU 19 – Mrs. Joyce reported training offered by the NEIU 19. There is a new transitioning program for Early Intervention students and a new STRIDE program.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Nenish congratulated the football program on a successful year.

Athletes are getting ready for the winter sports season. Riverside is co-sponsoring wrestling with the Scranton School District. PIAA numbers are in and Riverside will remain AA.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. Fedor reported on completed and on-going projects.

Finance Committee – Ms. Antoniaci McHugh reported that work is being done on the preliminary budget.

Mrs. Armstrong reported that Mrs. Meredick will chair a new ad hoc committee—Liaison for Student Activities.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan congratulated the football program on its successful season. He discussed Motion 18, stating that clubs have been revamped with the extension of the REA contract. He also congratulated Donna Gilroy on her retirement and thanked her for her service.

OLD BUSINESS - None

OPEN – Mrs. Armstrong congratulated the newly elected board members in attendance. The December 4, 2023 Reorganization/Regular Meetings will be held at the SKOLastic Commons. Mr. Labrosky thanked the Board for their support during his tenure on the Board and wished the newly elected board members good luck.

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