

RIVERSIDE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION



Riverside High School
December 14, 2023
7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order at 7:01 p.m.

Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 0164B of the Riverside Local Board of Education which was adopted in accordance with Section 1.450 of the O.R.C. and the Ohio Administrative Procedures Act.

The Bylaws of the Board of Education can be found here.

B. Roll Call: Krenisky, Grassi, Fishel, Hach, Harden

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Welcome

On behalf of the Board, I would like to welcome all students, staff, parents, and interested community members to tonight's Board of Education meeting. I would like to remind everyone that this is a meeting of the Board of Education held in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public comment during the meeting in the Public Participation section on the agenda.

2. Treasurer Pro Tempore

A. Motion to approve the appointment of Belinda Grassi as Treasurer Pro Tempore.

Motion: Krenisky

Second: Harden

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-1

3. Motion to Approve Minutes

A. Motion to approve minutes as attached.

File Attachments:

November 16 2023 Board Minutes.pdf (193 KB)

December 4 2023 Special Meeting Minutes.pdf (139 KB)

Motion: Krenisky

Second: Hach

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-2

4. **Special Reports** – Mr. Renwick gave an update on the Technology Department. He talked about Cybersecurity in the district. He also said the smartboards and projectors in the classrooms are being replaced with flat screen TVs that can be operated with a laptop. He is also researching Chromebook insurance for the district. Dr. Mlakar talked about College and Career Readiness Programming. She spoke about the graduation requirements for Riverside. She said the College and Career Readiness Programming has greatly expanded between 2019 and 2023. It was focused mostly on grades 10 through 12, and has now expanded to include the elementary grades. She described all of the Career Electives that are available to students, as well as some that are being developed.
5. **Old Business** – Mr. Fishel spoke about the history of the improvements and maintenance to our buildings. He would also like to see a formal disengagement from NV5. Mr. Rateno explained that the scope of their contract has been completed so there is no need for formal notice. Mr. Fishel thinks that the district should hire Cleora as an owner's representative for future projects. Mrs. Grassi is not in favor of this as there are no projects slated at this time, nor have any been discussed by the board. Mrs. Harden said that the position would have to go out for bid. Mr. Fishel feels we need an owner's representative now to help pull ideas together. The Board agrees that an owner's representative will have to be hired in the future. Mrs. Krenisky suggested scheduling a work session to discuss the district's needs and create an RFQ to hire an owner's representative.
6. **New Business** – None
7. **Board of Education Committee and Liaison Reports**
 - A. Lori Krenisky – Superintendent's Business Advisory Liaison – The Business Advisory Committee discussed the portrait of a graduate and where the focus should be to tie into the Strategic Plan. They looked at some other district's portraits. They would like to create a "portrait of a Beaver" to be more encompassing of all students.
 - B. Scott Fishel – Curriculum and Programming Committee; Alumni Association Liaison – The Curriculum and Programming Committee met and talked about one, two and three year plans to improve proficiency. Mrs. Harden said that this year saw an increase of sixteen points on the third

grade proficiency test. This is the highest percentage of students who have passed the test at the beginning of the year. No Alumni Association update.

- C. Tom Hach - Buildings & Grounds/Operations Committee; Legislative Liaison – The Buildings and Grounds Committee met on December 11. They got an update on the progress of the modular units at Buckeye. They should be ready by January 3. The roof over the science lab wing of Riverside has to be reroofed. This is consistent with findings by Bialosky. The ponding behind the band stands is being addressed. No legislative update.
- D. Jennifer Harden - Policy Committee; Booster Organization Liaison – There are new and updated policies on the agenda for approval. No boosters update.

8. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Rateno talked about the third grade reading scores. Riverside was recognized with the PBIS Bronze award. A substitute job fair was held and five people were interested in non-teaching positions. Eleven new teaching substitutes were onboarded by the ESC. 120 LaMuth and Riverside students planned and hosted the Halls of Holly for our younger students. Riverside partnered with Discount Drug Mart to deliver over 100 vaccinations to our employees. The Organizational Meeting has been scheduled for January 6, 2024.

9. Treasurer's Report and Committee Update

- A. Belinda Grassi – Finance/Audit and Personnel Committee; Strategic Plan – The Finance/Audit and Personnel Committee met in December. They reviewed the agenda items. A grant has been received to update radios throughout the district. A manual of Best Practices is being developed for the PTA/PTOs and Support Organizations. The annual audit is ongoing and is almost complete. No Strategic Plan update.
- B. Mr. Patrizi reviewed the November 2023 Financial Report.

10. Public Participation

- A. Public comment

A parent of students in the district spoke about the facilities. He said he was here when the levy failed. He has seen other facilities with LED lights, new windows, appropriate bathroom stall walls, and air conditioning. He said he has heard parents looking at the building during sports events and commenting on the poor condition. He also spoke about the indoor track club teams. Some students choose to run with a club that starts in December then are excluded from running with the team in January due to the pettiness of the coaches.

A Painesville Township resident said that the Board should be careful about acting too quickly on issues and to be good stewards of our resources. He does not feel that the students, parents and taxpayers are getting their money's worth from the district. The Board has to take care of the safety and education of the students.

A district resident and new Board member talked about the Bialosky report and how they ranked the priority of the improvements. Priority one and two need to be addressed for timelines and order. A vision has to be created to see where money will best be spent. The projects should be coordinated so work is not lost. She complemented Mr. Renwick on his work on computer security in the district.

11. Consent Agenda: Finance/Audit

- A. Resolution to approve the monthly financial reports and check payment register report for November 2023.
File Attachment:
Monthly Board Reports - November 2023.pdf (521 KB)
- B. Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor.
File Attachment:
Resolution Accepting Amounts and Rates – Riverside for 12-14-2023 Meeting.pdf (62 KB)
- C. Resolution to approve an addendum to a client service agreement with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio acting on behalf of Ohio Substitute Teacher Services to clarify pay rates for substitute teaching services of \$150.00 per day for daily substitutes and \$175.00 per day for building substitutes and long-term substitutes effective October 1, 2023.
- D. Resolution to approve a contract between the Riverside Local School District and the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for the 2023-2024 school year for placement(s) in the Positive Education Program (PEP).
- E. Resolution to approve a purchase order to Colonial Oil in the amount of \$150,000.00 for fuel for buses.
- F. Resolution to approve Then and Now Certificates over \$3,000 per ORC section 5705.41:
1. To Lakeland Community College in the amount of \$13,740.00 for Fall 2023 CCP Books.
2. To Healthcare Billing Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,139.08 for the FY22 Medicaid Final Cost Settlement fee.
- G. Resolution to approve the following donation(s):
1. \$50.00 from Delbert Reckart to Melridge Elementary School.
2. \$400.00 from Mentor Rotary to Riverside Drama.
3. \$1,000.00 from Prizmed Imaging to Riverside Drama.
4. \$153.00 online from various individuals to Riverside Drama.
5. \$50.00 from Mary Mattern to the Veterans Memorial Fund in memory of Austin Schwenk.
6. \$200.00 from VFW 336 to the Veterans Memorial Fund in memory of Austin Schwenk.
7. \$100.00 from Rolling Thunder 336 to the Veterans Memorial Fund in memory of Austin Schwenk.
8. \$522.00 from Parkside families to the David Baker Memorial Fund.
9. \$200.00 from American Legion Post #336 to the Riverside Veterans Memorial Fund.
10. \$100.00 from American Legion Riders #336 to the Riverside Veterans Memorial Fund.
11. \$50.00 from Mary Mattern to the Riverside Veterans Memorial Fund.
12. Hostas and Installation from Erin & Brian Bonk for the Riverside Veterans Memorial.
13. Hostas from Sue Webster for the Riverside Veterans Memorial.
14. Hostas and Installation from Vanessa Valdivia for the Riverside Veterans Memorial.
15. \$1,000.00 donated anonymously to the Veterans Memorial Fund.
- H. Motion to approve the items listed on the Finance/Audit Consent Agenda as recommended by the Treasurer.

Motion: Grassi

Second: Hach

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-3

12. Consent Agenda: Personnel

- A. Resolution to approve the following resignation(s):
 - 1. Rebekah Everett, Playground Assistant at Riverview Elementary, effective November 20, 2023.
 - 2. Beth Rider, Lead Teacher at Hale Road Preschool, effective December 5, 2023.
 - 3. Rick Fatur, 12-Month Day Float Custodian, effective December 8, 2023.
- B. Resolution to approve the following transfer(s):
 - 1. Michael Tepley, from Fleet Tech I to Fleet Tech II at the hourly rate of \$27.08 Step-8, effective December 5, 2023.
 - 2. Jason D'Amore, from Temporary Maintenance I to 12 Month Day Custodian at Melridge Elementary at the hourly rate of \$20.58 Step-9 plus \$.45 per hour for day custodian stipend, effective December 18, 2023.
 - 3. Peyton Brownlee, from Title Tutor at Riverview Elementary to Long-Term Intervention Specialist at Parkside Elementary for a staff member on leave at the prorated annual salary of \$44,025.00 BA+0, Step-1, effective January 3, 2024.
- C. Resolution to approve adding \$0.45 an hour Day Custodian Premium to Philip Horvath's current base pay retroactively effective October 2, 2023.
- D. Resolution to approve the following:
 - 1. Kelly Brewster, Lunchroom Assistant at Buckeye Elementary, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$13.18 Step-2, effective December 4, 2023.
 - 2. Rachel Ritz, Special Education Classroom Assistant at Riverside Campus, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$15.79 Step-0, effective December 5, 2023.
 - 3. Shawna Smith, Transportation Assistant, increase in hours from 3.83 hours per day to 6.25 hours per day at the same rate of pay, effective January 3, 2024.
 - 4. Robin Tomaszewski, Teacher (Classroom) Assistant at Riverview Elementary, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$13.56 Step-6, effective date to be determined, pending Educational Aide Permit.
- E. Resolution to approve the following Classified Substitutes:
 - 1. Kelly Rowland, General Substitute, effective December 4, 2023. Pending background check.
 - 2. Bryce Weber, General Substitute, effective December 11, 2023.
 - 3. Sophie Walters, General Substitute, effective December 15, 2023.
- F. Resolution to approve the following supplemental contracts:

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>2023-2024 Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Kelley	Hixson	Accompanist-Winter Concert 11/30/23	\$180.00	
Kathy	Babcock	Indoor Track, Boys Head Coach	Volunteer	
Lisa	Wade	Indoor Track, Girls Head Coach	Volunteer	
Ethan	Putney	Indoor Track, Varsity Assistant Coach	Volunteer	

Jamel	White	Indoor Track, Varsity Assistant Coach	Volunteer	pending SCA Certificate
Alyssa	Keim	Indoor Track, Varsity Assistant Coach	Volunteer	

- G. Motion to approve the items listed on the Personnel Consent Agenda as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: Grassi

Second: Harden

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-4

13. Consent Agenda: Curriculum & Programming

- A. Resolution to approve Indoor Track Club for the 2023-2024 school year.
- B. Resolution to approve the Riverside High School Drama Club to attend the Ohio Educational Theatre Association: Ohio Chapter 2024 State Thespian Conference at Sylvania Northview High School in Sylvania, Ohio. The event is scheduled for March 22 through 24, 2024. There will be no cost to the Board of Education.
- C. Resolution to formally approve the following Parent Organizations and Support Organizations for the 2023-2024 school year per policies 9210 and 9211 due to the respective organizations complying with board policy and submitting the required documents to the board:

Support Organizations:

Riverside Swim & Dive Boosters

Riverside Girls Lacrosse

Riverside Boys Soccer Club

RHS Gridiron Club

- D. Motion to approve the items listed on the Curriculum & Programming Consent Agenda as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Hach

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-5

14. Motion to amend Item A of the Buildings and Grounds/Operations Consent Agenda to reflect the scheduled date and time of the Tax Budget Hearing and the Organizational Meeting.

Motion: Hach

Second: Fishel

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Tom Hach	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121423-6

15. Consent Agenda: Buildings & Grounds/Operations

- A. Resolution to approve conducting a Tax Budget Hearing at 8:00 a.m. on January 6, 2024 and an Organizational Meeting at 8:15 a.m. in the Riverside Lecture Room.
- B. Resolution to appoint Lori Krenisky as President Pro Tempore for the January 2024 Tax Budget Hearing and Organizational Meeting.
- C. Resolution to approve a purchase order with Lewis Landscaping and Nursery, Inc. for complete infield renovation, laser grading and conditioning of the varsity baseball and varsity softball fields plus warning track renovation of the varsity baseball field in the amount of \$85,474.00.
- D. Resolution authorizing the purchase of five new 78 passenger conventional school buses with diesel engines at a cost of \$115,570.00 per stock conventional unit from Rush Truck Centers of Ohio, Inc. through the Ohio Schools Council's Cooperative School Bus Purchasing Program. Purchase will include five SEON camera systems installed by REM Communications at a cost of \$5,110.00 per bus. Total purchase of \$603,400.00 to be made from the permanent improvement fund (fund 033).
- E. Resolution to approve two change orders to a construction contract with Lakeland Management Systems, Inc. for the Secure Vestibule Project project to make an update to the side entry door/window height and add three additional window replacements and one additional door/window replacement at LaMuth Middle School at a total cost of \$44,256.81.
- F. Resolution to approve New/Revised Board Policies:

Policy 0141.2	Conflict of Interest
Policy 0148	Public Expressions of Members
Policy 0164	Notice of Meetings
Policy 2623.02	Third Grade Reading Guarantee
Policy 3120.08	Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities
Policy 4120.08	Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities
Policy 5113.01	Intra-District Open Enrollment
Policy 5320	Immunization
Policy 5337	Care of Students with Active Seizure Disorders
Policy 6240	Board of Revision Complaints and Countercomplaints
Policy 6700	Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)
Policy 7440	Facility Security
Policy 8120	Volunteers

Policy 8210	School Calendar
Policy 8330	Student Records
Policy 8600	Transportation
Policy 8650	Transportation by School Van
Policy 9160	Public Attendance at School Events
Policy 9270	Equivalent Education Outside the Schools & Participation in Extra-Curricular for Students not Enrolled in the District

- G. Motion to approve the items listed on the Buildings & Grounds/Operations Consent Agenda as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: Hach

Second: Grassi

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Belinda Grassi	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Scott Fishel	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Tom Hach	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Jennifer Harden	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>

President declares the motion: carried 121423-7

- 16. Board of Education Update** – Mrs. Grassi responded to a public comment saying in light of Dr. Mlakar's presentation, taxpayers are definitely getting their money's worth with Riverside. Each Board member thanked Mr. Hach for his service and spoke of their time on the Board with him. Dr. Rateno and Dr. Mlakar also thanked him for his service on the Board. Dr. Mlakar talked of the highs and lows during Mr. Hach's time on the Board and said they are seeing the fruits of his labor. He has always had the interests of the students at heart. Dr. Rateno presented Mr. Hach with gifts. Mr. Hach said it has been an honor to serve three terms on the Board and thanked the voters for their confidence in him. He spoke of the different things that have happened during his time on the Board.

17. Closing Items

- A. Next meeting:

Tax Budget Meeting	January 6, 2024	8:00 a.m.
Organizational Meeting	January 6, 2024	8:15 a.m.

- B. Motion to adjourn at 9:18 p.m.

Motion: Krenisky

Second: Grassi

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Belinda Grassi	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Scott Fishel	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Tom Hach	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Jennifer Harden	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>

President declares the motion: carried 121423-8

Attest:



Board President

1-25-24

Date



Treasurer

1/25/24

Date