

RIVERSIDE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION



Riverside High School

January 25, 2024

6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order at 6:00 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, Brewster, 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. Motion to Approve Minutes

A. Motion to approve minutes as attached.

File Attachments:

December 14 2023 Board Minutes.pdf (203 KB)

January 6 2024 Tax Budget Hearing Minutes.pdf (122 KB)

January 6 2024 Organizational Meeting.pdf (172 KB)

Motion: Krenisky

Second: Harden

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 012524-1

3. **Special Reports** – Mr. St. Clair and Mrs. Weber gave an update on Parkside Elementary. A group of fifth graders talked about the Parkside Peddler project and spoke about their roles in the store. Mr. St. Clair visited classes and talked about mapping and asked the students questions. He was impressed with some of their answers. He asked four third graders to share their answers. Dr. Rateno gave a district programming update for the 2024-2025 school year. The plans are for Pre-K students to move to Melridge and Buckeye and the fifth graders from Melridge and Buckeye to move to LaMuth. He discussed the benefits this change will give to each group of students.
4. **Old Business** – Mrs. Krenisky passed around the final board self-evaluation for signatures. Mrs. Krenisky talked about the expectations of the Board committees and how the committee meetings should operate. The Board talked about who should lead the committee meetings and what topics should be covered. Mrs. Krenisky made a proposal for how to advance the facilities project. She presented a plan and a timeline to move forward. A Superintendent's Committee will be formed to get input from administrators and staff as well as students and community members. Mrs. Brewster will be the liaison to the Superintendent's Committee.
5. **New Business** – None
6. **Board of Education Committee and Liaison Reports**
 - A. Lori Krenisky – Superintendent's Business Advisory Liaison – No Business Advisory Committee update.
 - B. Denise Brewster – Curriculum and Programming Committee; Strategic Plan Liaison – No Curriculum and Programming Committee or Strategic Plan update.
 - C. Scott Fishel - Buildings & Grounds/Operations Committee; Alumni Association Liaison – No Buildings and Grounds/Operations Committee or Alumni Association update.
 - D. Belinda Grassi - Policy Committee; Legislative Liaison – No Policy Committee update. HB68 passed in the Senate to override the governor's veto. The House Ways and Means Committee wants to eliminate replacement property tax levies.
7. **Superintendent's Report** – Winter Meet the Teams Night was held on January 22. Eighth grader Claire Siegel won the District Spelling Bee. She will represent Riverside at the Lake County Spelling Bee on February 1. The Senior Appreciation Dinner will be on March 14 prior to the first performance of the spring musical *Big Fish*. The musical will run March 14-16. The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on March 23. National Honor Society will be holding a Spring Carnival on April 12 and a Spring Craft Show on April 20. The modular unit at Buckeye is in place and secured. It has power and new doors have been installed. The next steps are to repair the HVAC system then install the entry deck, roof and carpet. January is Board Member Appreciation Month. Dr. Rateno thanked the Board members for their service.
8. **Treasurer's Report and Committee Update**
 - A. Jennifer Harden – Finance/Audit and Personnel Committee; Booster Organization Liaison – The Finance/Audit and Personnel Committee met on January 18. They discussed the Personnel agenda items. Updates to the handbook have been sent to the Board. They talked about borrowing options

for the facilities project. RPTA will meet on January 29. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 23 at noon.

- B. Mr. Platko reviewed the December 2023 Financial Report. Riverside applied for a grant along with the Lake County Sheriff's Office to purchase a hands-free communication badge system. The grant will cover 75% of the cost to implement the system. Mr. Platko is getting paperwork completed to close out the Riverview and Parkside building project with the OFCC. The five regular buses that were purchased on December 14 are arriving soon. The five special needs buses that were purchased in March, 2023 will begin manufacturing in February, 2024. The LGCA Governing Board has approved a combination with NEOnet effective July 1. They will continue to have a presence at Auburn Career Center. Mr. Platko announced that he has received his School Business Manager license.

9. Public Participation

A. Public comment

A teacher in the district who also has students here has expressed concern that students are allowed to leave during the day. She discovered that her son was leaving early because he has back to back study halls. She never signed a form giving him permission for early dismissal. She said she was told that there are too many students going in and out to track everyone or to follow up on unexcused absences. She is concerned that there are no consequences for so many unexcused absences and that there is so much non-instructional time during the day.

A Leroy Township resident said he thinks the plan to move Pre-K and fifth graders is excellent and Mrs. Krenisky and Dr. Rateno have good ideas to move forward with the facilities plan. He feels that Mr. Arlesic would do a great job as an owner's rep for the project. He managed the boiler replacement project at LaMuth with no lost school time. He feels that an outside rep is not in the best interest of the district. This resident said he will volunteer his time to help the school in any way he can.

10. Consent Agenda: Finance/Audit

- A. Resolution to approve the monthly financial reports and check payment register report for December 2023.
File Attachment:
Monthly Board Reports - December 2023.pdf (425 KB)
- B. Resolution to approve the following grant applications and awards:
 - 1. Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, Office for Exceptional Children in the amount of \$11,400.00, Job Coach/Skills Trainer Project Grant, Fund 499
- C. Resolution to approve the 2023 annual credit card reward report as attached.
File Attachments:
Credit Card Annual Reward Report – 2023.pdf (99KB)
- D. Resolution to approve an Inter-district Service Area Contract between the Riverside Local School District and the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for the 2023-2024 school year for consultant services and two school psychologists.
- E. Resolution to approve a purchase order with Vocera Communications, Inc. for the Vocera Messaging System licensing, equipment, support, and training at a total cost of \$249,095.50.

- F. Resolution to approve a sales order agreement for the purchase of new copiers for Parkside and the Riverside Campus at a total cost of \$99,315.61.
- G. Resolution to approve a purchase order to Cerni Motors in the amount of \$19,000.00 for parts and outside labor for buses.
- H. Resolution to approve a purchase order to Rush Truck Center in the amount of \$23,500.00 for parts and outside labor for buses.
- I. Resolution to approve a purchase order with Dell Technologies for the purchase of 150 computers and docking stations for Riverside staff members at a total cost of \$141,000.00.
- J. Resolution to approve Service Change Forms with psi AFFILIATES, INC./psi ASSOCIATES, INC. to add field trip services for Spring 2024.
- K. Resolution to approve a purchase order to Great Minds in the amount of \$36,247.95 to purchase Geodes Decodable Books for Special Ed unit teachers and intervention specials in grade levels K through 5. IDEA-B Funds to be used.
- L. Resolution to approve Then and Now Certificates over \$3,000 per ORC section 5705.41:
 - 1. To ABA Outreach Services, LLC in the amount of \$6,150.00 for Behavior Specialist services
 - 2. To the ESC WR in the amount of \$3,391.50 for Tuition at the Geauga Youth Facility in September, 2023.
 - 3. To the ESC NEO in the amount of \$4,039.50 for Audiologist and Hearing Impaired Teaching Services for Aug-Oct 2023.
 - 4. To Crossroads Health in the amount of \$9,900.00 for Student Wellness Counseling Services provided in Aug, Sep and Oct 2023.
 - 5. To Weston Hurd LLP in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the SORSA Deductible for a Special Needs Due Process claim
 - 6. To Tim Frank Septic Tank Cleaning Co in the amount of \$3,808.00 to install chamber silencers on aeration blowers at LaMuth Middle School.
 - 7. To the ESC NEO in the amount of \$123,317.25 for Consultant and Psychologist Personnel Costs for September, 2023 through January, 2024.
- M. Motion to approve the items listed on the Finance/Audit Consent Agenda as recommended by the Treasurer.

Motion: Harden

Second: Grassi

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 012524-2

11. Consent Agenda: Personnel

- A. Resolution to approve the following resignation(s):
 - 1. Laurie Wyant, Teacher (Classroom) Assistant at Riverview Elementary, effective December 15, 2023.

2. Theresa Johnson, Playground Assistant at Parkside Elementary, effective December 4, 2023.
 3. Haylee Murray, Lunchroom Assistant at Riverview Elementary, effective December 15, 2023.
- B. Resolution to approve the following:
1. Kyle Rebonock, In School Suspension Teacher at Riverside Campus, Second Semester of the 2023-2024 at the hourly rate of \$25.61, effective January 3, 2024.
 2. Laurie Wyant, Teacher (Classroom) Assistant at Riverview Elementary, correction to step due to employment verification from \$12.23 Step-0 to \$13.56 Step-6, retroactive December 11, 2023.
 3. Erica Wayts, Title ELA Tutor at Riverview Elementary, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$25.61, effective February 1, 2024.
 4. Julie Grassi, Transportation Assistant, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$18.06, Step-17 effective January 16, 2024.
 5. Tara Lynch, Transportation Operator, step increase due to employment verification from \$22.57 Step-0 to \$23.42 Step-2, effective January 3, 2024.
 6. Christina Stropkey, Assistant Cook/Cashier at Parkside Elementary, One Year Limited Contract at the hourly rate of \$15.78 Step-0, effective January 22, 2024.
- C. Resolution to approve the following transfer(s):
1. Robin D'Abate, from Teacher (Classroom) Assistant at Riverview Elementary to Special Education Classroom Assistant at Riverview Elementary at the hourly rate of \$16.11 Step-1, effective January 8, 2024.
 2. Kevin Weirich, from Long-Term Teacher to ELA Title Tutor, at LaMuth Middle School, at the hourly rate of \$25.61, effective January 8, 2024.
 3. Krystal Werner, from Playground Assistant at Parkside Elementary to Lunchroom Assistant at Parkside Elementary at the hourly rate of \$13.18 Step-2, retroactive to October 9, 2023.
 4. Alexandria Carle, from Temporary Mid-Day Custodian to 12-Month Mid-Day Custodian at LaMuth Middle School at the hourly rate of \$18.32 Step-2, effective February 1, 2024.
 5. Joshua Kailburn, from 12-Month Evening Custodian Float at Riverside Campus to 12-Month Maintenance I at the hourly rate of \$18.63 Step-1, effective February 1, 2024.
 6. Joseph Isenberg, from Temporary Evening Custodian at Riverview Elementary to 12-Month Day Custodian Float (T-S) at the hourly rate of \$17.48 Step-0, effective February 1, 2024.
- D. Resolution to approve the following Classified Substitutes:
1. Jennifer Pinkham, General Substitute, effective January 26, 2024.
 2. Haylee Murray, General Substitute, effective January 3, 2024.
 3. Joseph Taro, General Substitute, effective January 24, 2024.
- E. Resolution to approve the following supplemental contracts:

First Name	Last Name	Assignment	Salary	Notes
Christina	Sherwood	2023 -2024 National Honor Society - Junior Advisor	\$1,215.00	
Kristen	McDevitt	Outdoor Education Program Director	\$810.00	Split
Gina	Cireddu	Outdoor Education Program Director	\$810.00	Split
Kristen	McDevitt	Outdoor Education Program Assistant	\$607.00	Split
Gina	Cireddu	Outdoor Education Program Assistant	\$607.00	Split
Jeremy	Ishmael	Athletic Faculty Manager - Spring	\$750.00	Split
John	Wakim	Baseball-Head Coach	\$8,119.00	
Zachary	Hammonds	Baseball-Varsity Assistant	\$6,494.00	Pending CPR and SCA
John	Brown	Baseball-Varsity Assistant	\$6,494.00	Pending PAP
Austin	Hejduk	Baseball-Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	Pending PAP

Joseph	Michalski	Baseball-9th Grade	\$3,247.00	Pending SCA
Bill	Ross	Softball-Head Coach	\$8,119.00	
Scott	Binkiewicz	Softball-Varsity Assistant	\$6,494.00	
Carrie	Erjavec	Softball- Varsity Assistant (JV)	\$6,494.00	Pending CPR, First Aid and SCA
Michael	Caldwell	Softball-Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	
Allie	Binkiewicz	Softball-Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	Pending SCA
Daniel	Adair	Lacrosse-Boys Head Coach	\$6,494.00	Pending First Aid and SCA
Michael	Swank	Lacrosse-Boys Varsity Assistant (JV)	\$4,055.00	Pending CPR and SCA
Kyle	Rebenock	Lacrosse-Boys Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	
Jake	Lopez	Lacrosse-Boys Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	Pending CPR and SCA
Timothy	St. Clair	Lacrosse-Girls Head Coach	\$4,868.00	Pending SCA
Rachel	Victor	Lacrosse-Girls Varsity Assistant (JV)	\$3,247.00	
Kathy	Babcock	Track-Boys Head Coach	\$8,119.00	
Lisa	Wade	Track-Girls Head Coach	\$8,119.00	
Jacob	McDonald	Track-Varsity Assistant	\$6,494.00	
Alyssa	Keim	Track-Varsity Assistant	\$5,681.00	
Jamel	White	Track-Varsity Assistant	\$6,494.00	
Robyn	Selent	Track-Varsity Assistant	\$4,868.00	Pending SCA
Ethan	Putney	Track-Varsity Assistant	\$4,868.00	

F. Resolution to approve extended work days for the following:

1. Richard Arlesic, five extended days for the 2023-2024 contract year to be paid at his daily rate.

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

Motion: Harden

Second: Grassi

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>
Belinda Grassi	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Fishel	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>
Denise Brewster	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Harden	Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>

President declares the motion: carried 012524-3

12. Consent Agenda: Curriculum & Programming

A. Resolution to approve the College Credit Plus Partnership Agreement with Lakeland Community College for the 2024-2025 academic school year.

B. Resolution to authorize membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2024-2025 school year.

File Attachment:

OHSAA Membership Resolution 2024-2025.pdf (694 KB)

C. Resolution to approve the 2024-2025 school year calendar.

File Attachment:

2024-2025 DRAFT Calendar.pdf (34 KB)

D. Resolution to approve the 2025-2026 school year calendar.

File Attachment:

2025-2026 DRAFT Calendar.pdf (34 KB)

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

Motion: Brewster

Second: Krenisky

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 012524-4

13. Consent Agenda: Buildings & Grounds/Operations

- A. Resolution to approve a change order to a construction contract with Lakeland Management Systems, Inc. for the Secure Vestibule Project project to demolish and replace the ceiling at the main entrance at Melridge Elementary School at a total cost of \$3,677.10.
- B. Resolution to approve a change order to a construction contract with Lakeland Management Systems, Inc. for the Secure Vestibule Project project to install additional card readers and wiring at Buckeye Elementary School at a total cost of \$11,307.38.
- C. Motion to approve the items listed on the Buildings & Grounds/Operations Consent Agenda as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Grassi

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 012524-5

- 14. Board of Education Update** – Mrs. Grassi said congratulations and good luck to Claire in the Lake County Spelling Bee. Mrs. Brewster said she has been touring Buckeye, Melridge and LaMuth. Mr. Hall gave her a tour of Riverside Campus and Mr. Arlesic showed her the maintenance facility. Mrs. Grassi thanked Mr. St. Clair and Mrs. Weber for what they are doing at Parkside. She is impressed with the Parkside Peddler program.

15. Closing Items

- A. Next meeting:

Buildings and Grounds Committee	January 30, 2024	7:30 a.m.
Curriculum and Programs Committee	January 31, 2024	7:15 a.m.

Buildings and Grounds Committee	February 13, 2024	7:30 a.m.
Finance/Audit and Personnel Committee	February 15, 2024	7:30 a.m.
Board of Education Meeting	February 22, 2024	6:00 p.m.

B. Motion to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.

Motion: Krenisky

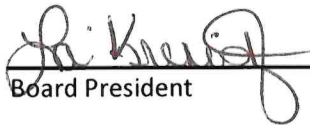
Second: Fishel

Vote:

Lori Krenisky	Aye__X__	Nay____	Abstain____
Belinda Grassi	Aye__X__	Nay____	Abstain____
Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay____	Abstain____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay____	Abstain____
Jennifer Harden	Aye__X__	Nay____	Abstain____

President declares the motion: carried 012524-6

Attest:


Board President

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Date


Treasurer

2/22/24

Date