

**RIVERSIDE BEAVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**318 Country Club Drive**  
**Ellwood City, PA 16117**

**MINUTES – AUGUST 14, 2017**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/VOTING MEETING**  
**OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M.

Present: David Bender, Paul Carver, Seth Foley, Michael Garvin, Christy Hughes, Shawn Plassmeyer, Roger Radevski, Dr. David Steinbach and Charles Sterner

Also Present: Dr. David Anney, Bret Trotta, Debbie Brandstetter, Gregory Fox, Stephen Girting and approximately 70 visitors.

- 1.2 • Minutes: It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the July 17, 2017 Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting.

**Motion to approve item 1.2** made by Mr. Plassmeyer, second by Mr. Sterner

Roll Call: Mr. Bender, Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach and Mr. Sterner voted yes. Motion carried – 9 Yes 0 No

- 1.3 Superintendent's Report – Dr. Anney reported that the Board of School Directors met in an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

1.4 Assistant Superintendent's Report - Mr. Trotta gave an update on the opening of school for the 2017-2018 school year. He thanked teachers Emily Smith, Michael Walsmley and Meredith Cooper for the outstanding job of representing Riverside at the Transition conference at Penn State in August where they presented to a group of 60 people. He also updated the Board on the new immunization requirements that went into effect in March. Those students not in compliance will not be able to attend school. Mr. Trotta also informed the Board on the success of the new drop off zone for elementary students located at the central administration office. This new location is to be used until 8:30, any drop offs after 8:30 are to be at the main entrance. Lastly, Mr. Trotta updated the Board on the new Student Information System, Skyward. The IT department, building secretaries, professional staff and administrators all worked over the summer to have the system up and running for the first day of school. Students will be receiving their sign on credentials soon and by the beginning of October a roll out to for parents is scheduled. Tom Aldrich presented a high level review of the Skyward family portal via PowerPoint.

1.5 Visitors - Ten visitors addressed the school board, with nine there to talk about the pending relocation of the Kindergarten classrooms to the elementary building effective for the 2018-2019 school year. Seven of the visitors were not in favor of the relocation while two of them were. One visitor addressed the school board about the need for improved communications between the District and their stakeholders. A number of the school board members responded to the concerns of the speakers including Dr. Steinbach, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Radevski, Mr. Garvin and Mr. Plassmeyer.

Public to Be Heard Visitors:

Name	Address	Subject Matter
Tami Ray	Beaver Falls, PA	Communication Needs
Jennifer Miloszewski	Darlington, PA	Kindergarten Move
Aimee Siok	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Move
Mike Hess	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Center
Janet Miller	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Center
Kasey Kraus	New Brighton, PA	Kindergarten Center
Jamie Miller	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Center
Jill Czar	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Center
Rick Patton	Ellwood City, PA	Kindergarten Center
Mike Jacobs		Kindergarten Center

**2. FINANCE/TAX ADVISORY/FOOD SERVICE**

- 2.1 • Treasurer's Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the treasurer's report for July, 2017.
- 2.2 • Payment of Bills: It is recommended that the Board approve the following general fund bills for payment –
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| July, 2017 wire transfers                | \$535,379.07 |
| July 2017 invoices listed for payment    | \$67,038.81  |
| August, 2017 invoices listed for payment | \$462,590.39 |
- 2.3 • Cafeteria Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the cafeteria fund treasurer's report for July, 2017.
- 2.4 • Cafeteria Bills: It is recommended that the Board approve the cafeteria invoices in the amount of \$1,630.25.
- 2.5 • Activity Fund Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the activity fund report for July, 2017.
- 2.6 • Approval of Memorandum of Understanding: It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the District and **Private Industry Council** (Head Start Management Company) for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 2.7 • School Tax Collection Compensation: It is recommended that the Board approve the following rates of compensation for real estate and per capita tax collection for the District's three elected school tax collectors through December 2021:
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| Franklin Township        | \$14,500 per year |
| Marion Township          | \$ 5,000 per year |
| North Sewickley Township | \$20,500 per year |

In addition to the above amounts, the tax collectors shall receive \$5.00 extra compensation for each tax parcel that is paid in installments, subject to the following maximum limits for each tax collector:

Franklin Township	\$ 766.50
Marion Township	\$ 167.86
North Sewickley Township	\$1,065.64

Additionally, the tax collectors shall receive \$4.50 extra compensation for each parcel that is calculated as an interim real estate tax. There are no maximum limits as interim real estate taxes vary from month to month.

These rates are the same as the current rates, no increase.

- 2.9 • Federal Programs: It is recommended that the Board approve the estimated Federal allocations for the 2017-2018 school year:

**Title I \$ 325,874**  
**Title II \$ 55,920**  
**Title IV \$ 10,000**  
**Total \$391,794**

- 2.10 • Non-Resident Tuition Rate for 2017-2018: It is recommended that the Board approve a tuition rate for non-resident regular education students wishing to attend Riverside Beaver County School District at the rate of \$10,000 for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 2.11 • Bond Renewal: It is recommended that the Board approve the bond renewals for the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Board Treasurer and Activity Fund Secretary for the term August 30, 2017 to August 30, 2018 at a cost of \$100 each.

**Motion to approve items 2.1 to 2.7 and 2.9 to 2.11** made by Mr. Sterner, second by Mr. Bender  
Roll Call: Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner and Mr. Bender voted yes. Motion carried – 9 Yes 0 No

- 2.8 • Purchase of Drivers Education Vehicle: It is recommended that the Board ratify the purchase of a 2017 Chevrolet Traverse to be used for drivers education training and for district use for conferences and to transport students when appropriate. The cost of the vehicle, including fees, is \$31,548.50.

**Motion to approve item 2.8** made by Mr. Sterner, second by Mr. Radevski  
Roll Call: Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Dr. Steinbach and Mr. Carver voted No. Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Mr. Sterner and Mr. Bender voted yes. Motion carried – 5 Yes 4 No

### **3. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/FUTURE PLANNING**

- 3.1 • Kindergarten Classroom Relocation: It is recommended that the Board approve the relocation of the Kindergarten classroom to the elementary building effective for the 2018-2019 school year.



**Natalie Michael**  
**Jeff Sabatino**  
**Darla Hertzog**  
**Nicole Crawford**  
**Sheri Richards-Ault**  
**Tonya O’Sche**  
**Cheryl Mitro\***

**Kim Shearer**  
**Sandee Fox**  
**Lori Barton**  
**Cindy Doughty**  
**Lynda Luster**  
**Dana Blinn\***  
**Sam Barry**

**Crystal Landman**  
**Kathy Roberts**  
**Krystel Meyer**  
**Tendai James**  
**Raymond Patton**  
**Beverly Makray\***

*\*Pending Clearances*

- 4.9 • Substitute Nurses: It is recommended that the Board approve the following substitute school nurses for the 2017-2018 school year. All clearances and certificates have been received unless otherwise noted:

**Kathleen Bloom**  
**Betsy Petti**  
**Joe Restino\***

**Lucy Rahall**  
**Darcy Knight**

**Lynn Slavic**  
**Matthew Jennings**

*\*Pending Clearances and Certificate*

- 4.10 • Authorization to Employ: It is recommended that the Board authorize the administration to advertise for and to employ personnel for the opening of school and substitutes as necessary pending approval by the Board. Such personnel would receive total Board consideration at the September 2017 meeting.
- 4.11 • Change in Custodial Position: It is recommended that the Board approve a change in the 11:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. high school sweeper position from a 40 hour per week position to a 20 hour per week custodial position.
- 4.12 • Volunteer Coach: It is recommended that the Board approve **Brian Mohr** as a Volunteer Assistant Coach for Football pending receipt of clearances.

**Motion to approve items 4.1-4.4 and 4.6-4.12** was made by Dr. Steinbach, second by Mr. Foley  
Roll Call: Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Bender, Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes voted Yes. Motion carried 9 Yes 0 No.

- 4.5 • Employment of Para-Professionals: It is recommended that the Board approve the employment of the following para-professionals for the 2017-2018 school year. All clearances have been received. Hourly wage and benefits will be in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the support staff.

**Kathy Bartell**  
**Renee Radevski**  
**Jason Stoyanoff**  
**Donna Zikeli**  
**Aaron Dobish**

**Susan Sepe**  
**Brianna Jennings**  
**Amy Podbielski**  
**Debbie Hienz**  
**Melissa Harshall**

**Motion to approve item 4.5** was made by Mr. Plassmeyer, second by Mrs. Hughes Roll Call:; Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Bender, Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer voted Yes. Mr. Radevski abstained. Motion carried - 8 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain.

### **Informational Items**

- **Christina Ori** has transferred to Elementary Computer Teacher from Part-time District Technology Teacher/Coach K-12.
- **Kurt Ross** has transferred to M.S./H.S. Computer Teacher from Primary Center Computer Teacher.

### **Informational Items**

- **Alison Carelli** has transferred from Middle School Social Studies teacher to High School History/Government Teacher.
- **Jeff Whitlatch** has transferred from 3-11 Middle School Custodian to 3-11 High School Custodian effective 7/17/17.
- **Robert McDonough** has transferred from a weekend custodian to 3-11 Middle School Custodian effective 8/1/17.
- **Katherine Slavic** has resigned as a classroom assistant
- **Sara Sutter** has resigned as a classroom assistant

## **5. ATHLETIC/RECREATION**

5.1 No report.

## **6. TRANSPORTATION/POLICY**

- 6.1 • Approval of Bus Routes: It is recommended that the Board approve the bus routes for the 2017-2018 school year provided by First Student Transportation
- 6.2 • Approval of Bus Drivers: It is recommended that the Board approve the list of First Student drivers for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 6.3 • Distribution of Material: It is recommended that the Board approve the following material for distribution to students:
  - Trail Life USA Troop 452
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Backyard Bash, A Community Celebration Honoring our Heroes

**7. NEGOTIATIONS/INSURANCE**

- 7.1 • Rate of Pay for Cafeteria Events during Non-School Hours: In accordance with the negotiated agreement between the School District and the Riverside Educational Support Personnel Association, relative to Article XI, Section A, Number 3b, it is recommended that the rate of pay for cafeteria workers for activities that occur during non-school hours be set at \$8.00 per hour. According to the contract, the Board must set this rate prior to the assignment being posted.

**Motion to approve items 6.1 to 6.3 & 7.1** was made by Mr. Bender, second by Mr. Radevski  
Roll Call: Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Bender, Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski voted Yes. Motion carried - 9 Yes 0 No.

**8. BOARD BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Visitors – Two visitors addressed the school board regarding the approval of the relocation of the Kindergarten classrooms effective for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting** at 8:51 P.M. was made by Mr. Plassmeyer, Second by Mr. Bender. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote in favor of adjournment.