

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

MINUTES – NOVEMBER 20, 2017
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/VOTING MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: David Bender

Also Present: Dr. David Anney, Bret Trotta, Debbie Brandstetter, Gregory Fox and approximately 15 visitors.

- 1.2 • Minutes: It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the October 16, 2017 Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting and the revised minutes of the August 14, 2017 Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting.

Motion to approve item 1.2 made by Mr. Plassmeyer, second by Mrs. Hughes

Roll Call: Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach and Mr. Sterner voted yes. Motion carried – 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

- 1.3 Superintendent's Report – Dr. Anney introduced **Riverside High School Junior Morgan Deiseroth** who he invited to speak to the Board and to the public about how solar energy could benefit the District. Morgan recently attended a World Affairs Institute conference where she heard a presentation on solar energy by CMU Senior Systems Scientist Randy Sargent and how schools across the country are benefiting from converting to solar power. After the presentation Morgan contacted Mr. Sargent and asked for his assistance in researching how solar power conversion could benefit Riverside Beaver County School District. Dr. Anney commended Morgan on her efforts and looks forward to working with her on a solution that could bring solar power to RBCSD.

- 1.4 Assistant Superintendent's Report - No Report

- 1.5 PTO Report – Mrs. Falk provided an update on upcoming PTO programs such as assemblies, colonial days and the Dickens Festival.

- 1.6 Visitors - Public to Be Heard Visitors:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>
Tami Ray	445 Glendale Rd.	North Sewickley	ADA

2. FINANCE/TAX ADVISORY/FOOD SERVICE

- 2.1• Treasurer's Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the treasurer's report for October, 2017.
- 2.2• Payment of Bills: It is recommended that the Board ratify and/or approve for payment the following general fund bills
 - a. October 2017 wire transfers \$331,996.20
 - b. October 2017 invoices \$117,631.26
 - c. November 2017 invoices \$720,403.88
- 2.3 • Cafeteria Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the cafeteria fund treasurer's report for October, 2017.
- 2.4 • Cafeteria Bills: It is recommended that the Board approve the cafeteria invoices in the amount of \$44,891.84.
- 2.5 • Activity Fund Report: It is recommended that the Board approve the activity fund report for October, 2017.
- 2.6 • Per Capita Tax Exemption: It is recommended that the Board approve the 2018 Per Capita Tax Exemption Forms as presented.
- 2.7 • Extending Deadline for Tax Collections: It is recommended that the Board approve the following Resolution to extend the deadline for collection of real estate and per capita taxes by the local tax collectors in accordance with Act 769

RESOLUTION

- 1) The deadline for collection of real estate taxes will be extended from December 31, 2017 to March 31, 2018.
 - 2) The deadline for collection of per capita taxes will be extended from December 31, 2017 to June 30, 2018.
 - 3) The Board will appoint the elected tax collectors from Franklin Township, Marion Township and North Sewickley Township to collect real estate taxes from their respective Townships for the period of December 31, 2017 to March 31, 2018.
 - 4) The Board will appoint the elected tax collectors from Franklin Township, Marion Township and North Sewickley Township to collect per capita taxes from their respective Townships for the period of December 31, 2017 to June 30, 2018.
 - 5) All real estate taxes that are delinquent will be turned over to Beaver County tax Claim Bureau by the third Monday in April 2018.
 - 6) All per capita taxes that are delinquent will be turned over to Berkheimer Tax Administrator by July 31, 2018.
- 2.8 • 4 Year Renewal Agreement with Highmark Inc.: It is recommended that the Board approve a four year confidential renewal agreement between Highmark Inc. and Riverside Beaver County School District for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

- 2.9 • Website Advertising Agreement: It is recommended that the Board approve an agreement between Thought Process Enterprises and Riverside Beaver County School District for the period November 20, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

Motion to approve items 2.1 to 2.9 made by Mr. Foley, second by Dr. Steinbach
Roll Call: Mr. Foley, Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner and Mr. Carver voted yes. Motion carried – 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

3. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/FUTURE PLANNING – No Report

4. EDUCATION & PERSONNEL

Commendations:

- Congratulations to Riverside Golf Team members **Justin Hand** and **Skylar Fox** on qualifying for the PIAA Individual Golf Finals.
- Congratulations to the **Girls Cross Country Team** member **Sydney Wolf** on qualifying for the PIAA State Championship.
- Congratulations to the **Riverside Girls and Boys Soccer Teams** as both teams qualified for the WPIAL Playoffs.
- Congratulations to the **Riverside Football Team** for qualifying for the WPIAL playoffs and for playing in the WPIAL Semifinal game for the second consecutive year.
- Congratulations to **Madeline Dimeo** who received a second place award for her presentation in the Impromptu Duo event at this year's Lawrence County Forensics competition. The events were Poetry, Speech by Another, Extemporaneous, and Impromptu Duo.
- Congratulations to the second round of top five Accelerated Reader point earners for 2017-2018:
 - 1st Grade – **Emma Jeannette** 2nd Grade – **Cody Haffey**
 - 3rd Grade – **Angel Creese** 4th Grade – **Evan Vardzel**
 - 5th Grade – **Ryan Dugas**
- **Alivia Leyland** has been selected as the Riverside Lions' Club Student of the Month for November.
- The 7th Annual Holiday Showcase will be held on Thursday, December 7th. This is staged by the students of **Mrs. Boots' World Culture Classes**.
- Congratulations to **Spencer McNeill, Aly Yasenka** and **Ari Kendra** for winning spots in the prestigious PMEA District 5 Honors Band. This is the third time for Spencer and Aly. This will be Ari's first time to perform with this group.
- On Thursday, November 2, a team of Riverside students participated in the first of four forensics (public speaking) meets held in Lawrence County for the 2017-18 school year. Congratulations to the following students for their achievements at this meet:
 - **Hannah O'Connell** – 1st place in Senior High Extemporaneous and 3rd place in Duo Impromptu.
 - **Mason Bobro** - 1st place in Duo Impromptu and 2nd place in Senior High Extemporaneous
 - **Mitchell Krug** – 1st place in Duo Impromptu

- The Math Department of Riverside High School participates in the **Pennsylvania Math League**, which is dedicated to building student interest and confidence in mathematics through solving worthwhile problems. Recently released rankings show Riverside **tied for first place in Beaver County** with Ambridge Area High School. Way to go, Riverside! Thanks go to the Math teachers who were able to support the participation of their students in the first of six contests: Mr. Hall, Mr. Houston, and Mrs. Hoyman.
- 4.1 • Released Time/Field Trips: It is recommended that the Board approve the list of requests for released time and field trips as presented.
- 4.2 • Leave of Absence: It is recommended that the Board approve an intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence for a District employee effective October 16, 2018 through June 30, 2018.
- 4.3 • Leave of Absence: It is recommended that the Board approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for a District employee from January 2, 2018 through March 16, 2018.
- 4.4 • Substitutes: It is recommended that the Board approve the following substitute employees as a substitute for the 2017-2018 school year.
 - Rachel McNeely***
 - Angela Daniels**
 - Deborah Seighman**

**Pending Clearances*
- 4.5 • Employment Contract for Superintendent of Schools: It is recommended that the Board approve a three year Superintendent of Schools Employment Contract between Riverside Beaver County School District and David G. Anney for the term July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.
- 4.6 • Volunteer Coach: It is recommended that the Board approve **Amanda Rusnock** as a Volunteer Coach for Basketball Cheering, all clearances have been received.
- 4.7 • Employment of Sponsors: It is recommended that the Board approve the employment of the following sponsors. Payment will be in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the teacher's association.
 - High School Senior Choral Sponsor – Elaine Schade**
 - High School Vocal Ensembles Sponsor – Elaine Schade**
 - Middle School Chorus Sponsor – Elaine Schade**
- 4.8 • Leave of Absence: It is recommended that the Board approve to extend a Family Medical Leave of Absence for a District Employee from a return date of December 18, 2017 to January 30, 2018.
- 4.9 • Homebound Instruction: It is recommended that the Board approve homebound instruction for a tenth grade student from 11/15/17 to 01/01/2018.
- 4.10 • Leave of Absence: It is recommended that the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence for Heather Peterson in accordance with Article XV Section D from January 31, 2018 through January 31, 2019.

Motion to approve items 4.1 to 4.10 made by Mr. Sterner, second by Mr. Foley
Roll Call: Mr. Garvin, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Carver & Mr. Foley voted yes. Motion carried – 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

5. ATHLETIC/RECREATION – No Report

6. TRANSPORTATION/POLICY

- 6.1 • School Board Policy No. 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings: It is recommended that the Board approve the revised board policy number 903, Public Participation in Board Meetings, as presented.
- 6.2 • Distribution of Material: It is recommended that the Board approve the following material for distribution to students:
- Riverside Panther Band Wing Bash Night
 - Riverside Panther Band Pictures with Santa
 - Riverside Panther Band Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

Motion to approve items 6.1 and 6.2 made by Mr. Plassmeyer, second by Mr. Foley
Roll Call: Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Plassmeyer, Mr. Radevski, Dr. Steinbach, Mr. Sterner, Mr. Carver, Mr. Foley and Mr. Garvin voted yes. Motion carried – 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

7. NEGOTIATIONS/INSURANCE – No Report

8. BOARD BUSINESS

8.1 New Board Business:

- PSBA Litigation Discussion – District Solicitor Greg Fox updated the Board on litigation involving Pennsylvania School Board Association and Simon Campbell.

8.2 Informational Items:

- The Annual Reorganization Meeting will be held Monday, December 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Library given a majority of the Board being present. The Reorganization Meeting will be followed by a combined Committee of the Whole Meeting and Voting Meeting for the month of December. – Mrs. Hughes requested that the Board receive an option to have two meetings per month in 2018. Dr. Anney informed the Board that Ms. Brandstetter had those dates prepared and would forward to them with the December 4th reorganization agenda.
- This was the final school board meeting for Director Paul Carver who served on the Riverside Beaver County School Board for more than eight years. During his tenure, Mr. Carver held the office of vice president of the board for four years and was the representative to the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit for 5 years. On behalf of the School Board and administration Mr. Garvin presented Mr. Carver with a plaque, made by the industrial arts department, in appreciation of his service to the District.

8.3 Visitors - None

8.4 Meeting Adjournment – Mr. Plassmeyer informed the public that the Board will meet for executive session after the meeting for the purpose of personnel. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. was made by Mr. Plassmeyer with a unanimous voice vote in favor of adjournment.