

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

April 24, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Maureen McClure, President, called the Regular Meeting of the Riverview Board of School Directors to order at 7:01 p.m., April 24, 2017, in the Library of the Riverview Jr/Sr High School.

VISITORS PRESENT

Dr. Monroe, Mr. Rizzo, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Zolkowski, Mrs. Plance, Mr. Spohn, Ms. McBride, Eugenia Baldoni, Mr. Baldoni, Ms. Slebrich, Mr. Sero, Mrs. Sero, Nico Sero, Bella Scassera, Mr. Schenle, Mrs. Kelter, Mr. Kahne, Mrs. Lorenz, Mrs. Mamula, Mrs. Lape, Ms. Hawk, Mrs. Ogrodowski, Mrs. Huffman, Ms. Shoop, Ms. Morda, Mrs. Aughenbaugh, Mrs. Drabicki-Bell, Mr. Krajca, Mr. Carlin, Mrs. Spenik, Mrs. Yingling, Ms. Dudash, Ms. Harden, Mrs. Caruso, Mrs. Lohr, Ms. Arthur, Ms. Tomlinson, Ms. Smith, additional unnamed individuals who did not sign in

ROLL CALL

Present: Members: Mrs. Ashbaugh, Mr. DiPietro, Mr. Hackworth, Mrs. Hurt-Robinson, Dr. Loeffler, Mr. Nehlsen (via phone), Mrs. Tompa, Dr. McClure; Falco Muscante, Solicitor; Dr. DiNinno, Supt.; Ms. Good, Business Manager; Mrs. Tamburro, Recording Secretary
Absent: Mr. DiClaudio

**MINUTES APPROVED
TREASURER'S REPORTS/
TAX COLLECTORS
REPORTS**

Dr. McClure presented the minutes of the Regular Voting Meeting for March 20, 2017, and the Study Session for April 10, 2017. She also presented the Treasurer's Reports for the General Fund for February, 2017; and the Scholarship Fund for March, 2017. In addition, she presented the Keystone Collection Group for LST and EIT Collections for March, 2017. Dr. Loeffler moved that these reports be accepted and filed for audit. Mrs. Ashbaugh seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Dr. McClure then presented the Treasurer's Report for Food Service for March, 2017. Dr. Loeffler moved that this report be accepted and filed for audit. Mrs. Ashbaugh seconded the motion which passed with seven (7) affirmative votes and one (1) abstention (Mrs. Hurt-Robinson).

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Dr. DiNinno took some time to recognize and share the accomplishments of three Riverview School District students. Nico Sero was recognized for scoring 1,000 points on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team. Bella Scassera was recognized for being awarded with the very first Kind Sportsmanship Award. Eugenia Baldoni was recognized for her illustrations being included in a book titled *Stranger Danger*.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Dr. McClure talked briefly about the budget. She reminded everyone that the budget process is not an easy one, and no one likes any of the options we are looking at. Taxing to the max might not be enough. Don't want to increase class size. We are trying to not furlough staff. She wished she had better news. We are whittling away now.

BUDGET UPDATE

Ms. Good explained that the budget process started last October. Now is the tough part. We have very hard decisions to make. The proposed final budget will need to be passed on May 15 to honor State timelines. The Budget Hearing will be held on June 5, and the Budget will be passed on June 19.

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Several Board members indicated that a deficit still needs to be closed. There is a limit on how much the Board is able to increase taxes by State Law. Dr. McClure said that we are in an era whereby to make something happen, you have to take away from someone else.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Several parents voiced their concerns about the budget constraints, physical education revisions. One parent encouraged the board to raise taxes.

MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee (J. Hackworth/J. Nehlsen), Mr. DiPietro moved that the following items be approved-

MOTION 1:

- Allegheny Intermediate Unit Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures, and Use of Funds by School District for 2017-2018 along with the IDEA-Part B Use of Funds Agreement for 2017-2018
- Allegheny Intermediate Unit Services Agreement Addendum for 2017-2018
- Resolution #1617-007 making a declaration of official intent for capital expenditures to be reimbursed from subsequent tax exempt borrowings
- Agreement between Ten, The Efficiency Network, and the Riverview School District

Mrs. Hurt-Robinson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Prior to Motion 2 discussion being presented, Mrs. Hurt-Robinson left the meeting and returned prior to vote. Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee (J. Hackworth/J. Nehlsen), Dr. Loeffler moved that the following items be approved-

MOTION 2:

- Riverview School District prices of \$2.50 (secondary) and \$2.25 (elementary) per lunch for the 2017-2018 school year. The District will be contributing non-federal source contribution to meet the price lunch equity requirements
- Metz and Associates as the Riverview School District Food Service Provider for the 2017-2018 school year

Mrs. Ashbaugh seconded the motion which passed with seven (7) affirmative votes and one abstention (Mrs. Hurt-Robinson).

Upon the recommendation of the Education Committee (Mrs. Ashbaugh), Mrs. Hurt-Robinson moved that the following items be approved-

MOTION 1:

- Program of Studies for the 2017-2018 school year
- Handbooks for the Junior High and Senior High School for 2017-2018
- Approval of the following textbook: American History, copyright 2018, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Dr. McClure seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mrs. Hurt-Robinson moved that the following personnel items be approved-

MOTION 1:

- The following van driver with ABC Transit, Inc. for the 2016-2017 school year pending any clearance and health requirements: Richard Klaus

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- Robert Gould, Pittsburgh, Pa., as a Class III Paraprofessional with a 60 working day probationary period at the compensation rate according to the RSD/RESPA CBA pending any clearance and health requirements
- Change of Status from Probationary to Permanent after successfully completing the sixty (60) working day probationary period for Joseph Grieco
- The 2017-2018 Supplemental Position as detailed below pending any necessary clearance and health requirements: Sean Abraham, Girls Soccer Head Coach
- The 2016-2017 Supplemental Position(s) as detailed below pending any necessary clearance and health requirements: Sean Watts, Correction of Position to Softball Jr. High Head Coach from Assistant Varsity Coach; Teri Bracco, Softball Assistant Varsity Coach; Craig Phillips, Softball Volunteer; Sarah Shellaby, Softball Volunteer
- The 2016-2017 Athletic Event Worker(s) as detailed below pending any necessary clearance and health requirements: Michael McNally, Track & Field; Lynn Rogalsky, Volleyball, Crowd Control; Amber Bonaroti, Volleyball, Crowd Control
- The following addition to the 2016-2017 Substitute List pending any clearance and health requirements: Shane Copeland, Custodian

Mrs. Ashbaugh seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mrs. Ashbaugh moved that the following Board Governance and Regulations item be approved-

MOTION 1:

- The following revisions to the Riverview School District Board Policy Manual: First Reading: Policy 246, Wellness; Policy 209.2, Diabetes Management; Policy 609, Investment of District Funds

Mrs. Tompa seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mr. DiPietro moved that the following Board Governance and Regulations item be approved-

MOTION1:

- The following revisions to the Riverview School District Board Policy Manual: Third and Final Reading: Policy 626, Fiscal Compliance & Current/Future Regulations; Policy 808, Food Services & Current/Future Regulations

Mr. Hackworth seconded the motion which passed with seven (7) affirmative votes and one (1) abstention (Mrs. Hurt-Robinson).

THE FOLLOWING BILLS WERE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

Upon the recommendation of Ms. Good, Mr. Hackworth moved that the Board approve the following bills as listed:

General Fund Bills - 2016-2017 \$943,338.47

Dr. Loeffler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FORBES & LEGISLATURE Dr. Loeffler mentioned that the Forbes budget would be presented tomorrow. On the legislative side, there was a meeting held on April 20 at Fox Chapel which answered many questions. They are trying to reduce charter school costs.

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- EASTERN AREA** Mrs. Tompa had nothing new to report and stated that the next meeting is this Thursday.
- FINANCE** Mr. Hackworth stated that other items in finance which weren't already addressed with the budget were related to ESCO and Mr. Nehlsen went over capital projects.
- EDUCATION** Mrs. Ashbaugh congratulated Verner for their wonderful art show. Impact Award nominees are due 5/1. The Ceremony will be held on 6/2. Everyone has the opportunity to nominate an unsung hero. Thanks to the Kubisteks and congratulations to the students for the Model UN Rome trip. The next Education Meeting will be held on August 14. Mrs. Ashbaugh then thanked those in attendance. We have to make difficult decisions with regard to the budget. This Board is committed to making the best possible District there is. We will work through the process.
- STUDENT LIFE** Mr. DiPietro congratulated Mrs. Kvortek and her students for the Afternoon in the Park Event. Mrs. Stuart was also thanked for the good food.
- SOLICITOR'S REPORT** Mr. Muscante stated that he would be providing his written report to the Board in executive session.
- HEARING OF CITIZENS** Several parents commented on class sizes, test scores, and the need to support the high school programs. Mark Capsambelis, Union President, indicated that the teachers feel there is a need for a math intervention and reading specialist, but he encouraged the board to find a way to do that without reducing physical education time. He then distributed a letter on behalf of the teacher's union.
- ADJOURNMENT** Dr. McClure moved that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. An executive session was held until 10:33 pm to discuss personnel matters. The Board then reconvened the regular meeting.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mr. DiPietro moved that the following Personnel item be approved-
MOTION 1:

- The Appeal/Request for Stay to Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania Docket #GD16-013976

Mrs. Tompa seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mr. Hackworth moved that the following Personnel item be approved-
MOTION 1:

- Settlement Agreement and Release #1617-001

Mr. DiPietro seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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Upon the recommendation of Dr. McClure, Mrs. Ashbaugh moved that the following Personnel item be Approved-

MOTION 1:

- Non-renewal of contract of Temporary Professional Employee #1617-001 and Authorizing the President and Secretary of the Board to provide notification to the Temporary Professional Employee pursuant to Section 1108 of the School Code

Mr. Hackworth seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hackworth moved that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 10:36 pm.