

**RIVER VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION BOARD MEETING
RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER**

**APRIL 14, 2022
6:00 P.M.
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In order to be successful with our mission, we focus on the following goals:

- Safe Learning Environment
- High Student Achievement
- Effective and Efficient Operation
- High Performing Workforce

OPENING OF MEETING BY THE PRESIDENT

Board President Donald Rengert called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Keller called roll call with the following members present: Cheryl Beineke, Staci Glenn-Short, Benjamin Albright, Donald Rengert and Bob Stump.

APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA

Res. 039-22 Mr. Albright moved, seconded by Mr. Stump to approve the adoption of the agenda as presented.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Albright, Stump, Glenn-Short, Beineke, Rengert
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Res. 040-22 Mr. Rengert moved, seconded by Colonel Beineke to approve the adoption of the minutes from the March 10, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Rengert, Beineke, Albright, Glenn-Short, Stump
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting.

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Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address.

If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so.

Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the board.

Board Policy BDDH - Adopted October 12, 1999

President Don Rengert welcomed all visitors and gave them the opportunity speak.

Cory Gibson, a substitute employed by the District, requested to address the Board. Mr. Gibson shared with the Board that our bus cameras are failing and that this is becoming very problematic for our drivers and the safety of our students that are riding the bus. Mr. Gibson requested an explanation as to why the District has not used any of the technology grants that we have been awarded the last two years on cameras to improve the safety for our staff and students on school buses. The Board thanked Mr. Gibson for bringing this issue to the Board's attention and advocating for the District students and staff. Treasurer, Brittany Keller, shared information regarding allowable expense restrictions with the technology grants that the District has received so far. Mrs. Keller also shared that the District has applied for grants to install WiFi and cameras on buses this year, but unfortunately the grant application was not approved. There is another grant that the District is currently pursuing for this same purpose. The Board requested information regarding the cost breakdown of the WiFi and camera upgrades, so that the District can find another avenue to pursue these upgrades to our buses if we are not awarded this second grant opportunity.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

Superintendent Shares Oral / Written Correspondence / Communications

Mr. Wickham presented an update on HB126, information on the Innovative Workforce grant that the District was awarded at the High School and a list of the upcoming projects the District plans to pursue. Some of these projects include updating the media centers at each of the buildings, upgrading some of our outdoor facilities, HVAC upgrades, a connector between the Middle School and High School and bringing the SACC program back into the District through an outside organization.

River Valley Local Schools Building Reports/Updates: At this time, we would like to have building updates and a report from the following:

Mrs. Comstock presented on behalf of Heritage and Liberty Elementary with an "elementary level" update. ELA testing has been completed and the students will be moving onto math. Heritage has a Kindergarten position opening and will be conducting interviews over the next few weeks. Heritage will be implementing the 2nd Step SEL program that Liberty is currently using through their Wellness

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Initiative Grant with Miami University. Kindergarten screening is on May 13th and enrollment numbers are slowly increasing, which is reassuring.

Mr. Davis presented on behalf of the Middle School. April 13th was the last day of after school tutoring, which was funded by the District's Title I grant. May 13th will be 6th grade transition day where the Middle School will provide experiences for pathways for the incoming 6th grade class. The Middle School PTO held a dance on April 9th.

Mr. Dutt shared information for the High School. The Senior Breakfast is scheduled for May 26th and graduation is scheduled for May 27th. It is a busy season at the High School for club and organization events. Businesses will be coming in to recruit for summer jobs and any student interested will be able to come down and speak with the business about the opportunities they have available. Prom is scheduled for May 7th at the Homestead at Radnor.

Kade Ebert, the Student Representative, shared that senior tag has started and will end May 6th. Students are beginning to feel the end of the semester approaching and are anticipating summer break.

Director of Instruction and Assessment, Mr. Gliebe, shared that ELA testing is done minus a few exceptions, for which the District can get an override to allow them to take outside the normal 14-day window for each section of testing. Testing for math opens next week for all grade levels.

NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Keller presented updates on the District's cash position compared to March 2021, the increase complaints being filed with the Board of Revisions on a few commercial properties for sales that occurred tax year 2021, the two premiums holidays for medical insurance that the Board and employees will get to experience this school year with our new medical insurance consortium and the budgeting process for the 2022-2023 school year.

Res. 041-22 Mrs. Glenn-Short moved, seconded by Mr. Albright to approve the following financial information:

1. **Financial Reports**: Board Approval of the following financial information for the month of March, 2022:

- A) Cash Reconciliation and Relevant Data
- B) Appropriation Summary
- C) Revenue Summary

2. **Donations**: Board approval of the following donations:

Date	Name	Amount	Reason
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2/1/22	Marion Public Library	\$100.00	Orchestra
2/11/22	Fegley	\$145 each	Boys track sponsorship/donation
	Henry Lumber		
	Cen-Mac		
	Ohigro		
	Scrappy's Drive Thru		
	Herb's Body Shop		
	Buckeye Sun Control		
	Premier Optometry		
	Nationwide Insurance/Douce		
2/14/22	Schweinfurth	\$100.00	Wrestling
	Herbs Body Shop	\$500.00	
	Bender Communications	\$500.00	
3/3/22	Modern Woodman	\$2500.00	HS Cheer
3/7/22	Athletic Boosters	\$1360.00	Football
3/7/22	Douce Agency	\$100.00	Wrestling
3/7/22	Byers	\$300.00	Track Sponsorship/donation
	A Smith	\$145.00	
	Cogburn Electric	\$145.00	
	Ramco Rental	\$145.00	
	Schilling Propane	\$145.00	
3/18/22	Marion Rotary Foundation	\$125.00	English Dept Fund
3/29/22	Richard & Pamela Axline	\$40.00	Track
3/31/22	Athletic Boosters	\$1660.00	Football

Rebates

Date	Name	Amount	Reason
2/9/22	Ohiopyle Prints	\$58.96	Spirit wear royalty

3. **Approval of Special Cost Center:** Board approval of the following Special Cost Center:

SCC 2022 - Summer 2022 Food Program

4. **Appropriation modifications:**

Fund 006 Increase appropriations by \$100,000.00

Fund 022 Increase appropriations by \$100.00

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Glenn-Short, Albright, Stump, Beineke, Rengert
Nays:

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President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Superintendent's Reports/Recommendations

Res. 042-22 Colonel Beineke moved, seconded by Mr. Stump to approve the following information:

1. **Agreements/Resolutions:**

- a. **Resolution - National Volunteer Appreciation Week Board Resolution:** The board would like to show our appreciation for our many hard-working volunteers within the River Valley Local School District, and would like to approve the resolution below:

WHEREAS, the week of April 17-23, 2022 is designated as National Volunteer Appreciation Week, and;

WHEREAS, The River Valley Local Board of Education recognizes and acknowledges on behalf of the board and staff the many contributions of our volunteers who so willingly give of their time, talent, and energies for the betterment of our children and the River Valley Schools, and;

WHEREAS, it is important that the community, parents, and students are made aware of the feelings of gratitude, appreciation and commendation that the River Valley Board of Education has for its volunteers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the week of April 17-23, 2022 is officially recognized as Volunteer Appreciation Week in the River Valley Local School District.

- b. **Resolution: National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week Board Resolution:** Board approval of the following resolution to recognize staff and celebrate "National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week" in the River Valley School District the week of May 2-6, 2022.

WHEREAS, the week of May 2-6, 2022 has been designated as National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week" and;

WHEREAS, the River Valley Local School Board of Education recognizes the extremely important and most worthwhile job that the staff of our district are engaged in on a daily basis, and;

WHEREAS, it is important that the community, parents, and students are made aware of the feelings of gratitude, appreciation, and commendation that the River Valley Board of Education has for its staff.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the week of May 2-6, 2022 be specifically designated as Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in the River Valley Local School District.

- c. **Resolution: Agreement Between River Valley Local Schools (RVLSD) and META Solutions:** Board approval to enter into an agreement between RVLSD and META for the FY23 Master Service Agreement, Schedule I and Schedule II as presented in your background materials.
- d. **Resolution: Board Policy Manual:** Board approval to adopt the board policy manual that was updated in partnership with the Ohio School Board Association (OSBA), as presented in your background materials.
- e. **Resolution: Direct Pay Agreement:** Board approval of the direct pay agreement between River Valley Local Schools and Terazza 8, LLC, per the terms and conditions as set forth in the agreement in your background materials.
- f. **Resolution: Agreement Between River Valley Local Schools and Frontline Education:** Board approval of the renewal and the Master Services Agreement between River Valley Local Schools and Frontline Education (formerly known as Forecast5 Analytics) as presented in your background materials.
- g. **Resolution: Music National Honor Society Recommendation:** Board approval to form a River Valley High School Music Honor Society per the terms and conditions contained in the recommendation letter in your background materials.
- h. **Resolution: 2022-2023 Substitute Salary Schedule:** Board approval of the 2022-2023 Substitute Salary Schedule as presented in your background materials.
- i. **Resolution: 2022-2023 Supplemental Salary Schedule:** Board approval of the 2022-2023 Supplemental Salary Schedule as presented in your background materials.
- j. **Resolution: 2022-2023 Administration Salary Schedule:** Board approval of the 2022-2023 Administration Salary Schedule as presented in your background materials.
- k. **Resolution: 2022-2023 Related Services Salary Schedule:** Board approval of the 2022-2023 Related Services Salary Schedule as presented in your background materials.
- l. **Resolution: Emergency Levy Renewal:** Board approval of the resolution for the necessity for emergency levy renewal as presented in your background materials.

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- m. **Resolution: Updated 2022-2023 Calendar:** Board approval of the updated 2022-2023 school calendar, as presented in your background materials.
- n. **Resolution: Online Services Agreements Between TRECA and River Valley Local Schools:** Board approval to enter into Credit Recovery, iCredit and K-8 iCredit service agreements with TRECA to provide online instruction, for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented in your background materials.
- o. **Resolution: Agreement Between River Valley Local Schools and LearnWell:** Board approval of a contract between River Valley Local Schools and LearnWell to serve one of our students for the 2021-2022 school year, as outlined in your background materials.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Beineke, Stump, Albright, Glenn-Short, Rengert

Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Certificated Personnel

Res. 043-22 Mr. Stump moved, seconded by Mrs. Glenn-Short to approve the following information:

- a. **Certificated Personnel – Employment:** Board approval to grant a one (1) year limited contract to Aaron Berg, as an English Language Arts Teacher at River Valley Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year. Contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/ certification, per information in your background materials.
- b. **Certificated Personnel – Employment:** Board approval to grant a one (1) year limited contract to Brooke Carver, as an English Language Arts Teacher at River Valley Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year. Contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/ certification, per information in your background materials.
- c. **Certificated – Salary Adjustment:** Board approval of a salary adjustment for Kathryn Wilcox, effective March 30, 2022, who has completed the necessary requirements for such an adjustment, as presented in your background materials.
- d. **Certificated Personnel - Resignation:** Board approval to accept a letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement, from Julie White, ELL Tutor, 21st Century Tutor and substitute teacher, effective May 27, 2022, with regrets and best wishes and as presented in your background materials.

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- e. **Certificated Personnel - Non-Renewal of Limited Contracts:** Board approval to non-renew the following limited contracts effective July 1, 2022.

Title 1 Tutors & Small Group Instructors:

Rosina Conchel – Title I Tutor
Joyce Hughes – Title I Tutor
Doug Laucher - Title I Tutor
Haley Miner– Title I Tutor

- f. **Certificated Personnel - Substitute Teacher Approval:** Board approval of the updated Substitute Teacher Revised List as recommended by the North Central Ohio ESC and presented in your background materials.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Stump, Glenn-Short, Albright, Beineke, Rengert
 Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Classified Personnel

Res. 044-22 Colonel Beineke moved, seconded by Mr. Albright to approve the following information:

- a. **Classified Personnel – Employment:** Board approval to revise the current contract for Andy Byrd, Bus Driver for River Valley Local Schools, effective March 1, 2022 through the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/ certification and as presented in your background materials.
- b. **Classified Personnel – Employment:** Board approval to employ Trista Thorpe as the Interim Assistant Transportation Supervisor, effective March 23, 2022 through May 31, 2022, with River Valley Local Schools, contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/ certification, per information in your background materials.
- c. **Classified Personnel - Employment:** Board approval to employ Trista Thorpe as the Interim Transportation Supervisor effective June 1, 2022 through July 31, 2022, with River Valley Local Schools, contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/certification, per information in your background materials.
- d. **Classified Personnel - Administrative Contract:** Board approval to employ Trista Thorpe on a one (1) year administrative contract as the Transportation

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Supervisor effective August 1, 2022, with River Valley Local Schools, contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/certification, per information in your background materials.

- e. **Classified Personnel - Interim**: Board approval to employ Lois Bowdre, as an Interim Transportation Supervisor, for a period of seven weeks. Contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/certification, and as reflected in your background materials.
- f. **Classified Personnel - Interim**: Board approval to employ Ben Lyon, as an Interim Transportation Supervisor, for a period of seven weeks. Contingent upon completion of any necessary requirements for employment/certification, and as reflected in your background materials.
- g. **Classified Personnel - Resignation**: Board approval to accept a letter of resignation from Christina Spitzer, High School Cafeteria, effective May 27, 2022, with regrets and best wishes and as presented in your background materials.
- h. **Classified Personnel - Retirement**: Board approval to accept the letter of retirement from Larry Criswell, Bus Driver at River Valley Local Schools, effective June 1, 2022, with regrets and best wishes and as presented in your background materials.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Beineke, Albright, Glenn-Short, Stump, Rengert
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

River Valley Local Schools School Age Child Care Program (SACC)

Res. 045-22 Mr. Rengert moved, seconded by Mr. Stump to approve the following information:

- a. **SACC Staff – Non-Renewal**: Board approval to non-renew the following SACC Staff at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Alana Burkhart
Mason Faux
Allyson McCurdy
Austin Vanderkooi

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Rengert, Stump, Albright, Glenn-Short, Beineke

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Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

River Valley Local Schools Daycare Program

Res. 046-22 Colonel Beineke moved, seconded by Mrs. Glenn-Short to approve the following information:

- a. **Daycare Staff – Non-Renewal:** Board approval to non-renew the following Daycare staff at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Maria Crawford – Daycare Lead Teacher
Laura Hoffman
Karissa Osborne
Judy Shawver

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Beineke, Glenn-Short, Albright, Stump, Rengert
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Students

Res. 047-22 Mr. Albright moved, seconded by Mr. Stump to approve the following information:

- a. **Student Accident Insurance for the 2022-23 School Year:** Board approval to contract with the Student Protective Agency, for student accident insurance for the 2022-23 school year per the terms and conditions of the contract, as presented in your background materials.
- b. **Extended Field Trip Preliminary and Final Approval:** Board preliminary and/or final approval of an extended field trip by the High School Industrial Technology Club, VEX Team to attend the VEX Robotics World Championship in Dallas, Texas on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 through Sunday, May 8, 2022. As presented in your background materials.
- c. **Students - In Lieu of Transportation Resolution:** Board approval of the resolution for the transportation of students to a non-public school as follows:

Section 3327.01 ORC Transportation of Pupils

PROCEDURES FOR” in lieu of transportation...

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Where it is impractical to transport a pupil by school conveyance, a board of education may, in lieu of providing such transportation, pay a parent, guardian, or other person in charge of such child, an amount per pupil which shall in no event exceed the average transportation cost per pupil, such average cost to be based on the cost of transportation of children by all boards of education in this state during the next preceding year.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Albright, Stump, Glenn-Short, Beineke, Rengert
Nays:
President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Executive Session

Res. 048-22 Colonel Beineke moved to enter into executive session at 7:08pm for the purpose of:

In accordance with ORC 121.22G1 – The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual.

AND

In accordance with ORC 121.22G5 – Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Beineke, Albright, Glenn-Short, Stump, Rengert
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Board reconvened into Regular Session

Res. 049-22 Colonel Beineke moved, seconded by Mr. Rengert to reconvene into Regular Session at 8:11pm and upon roll call vote the following members were present: Colonel Beineke, Mr. Rengert, Mr. Albright, Mrs. Glenn-Short and Mr. Stump.

Adjourn - Thank you for coming.

Res. 050-22 Mr. Stump moved, seconded by Mr. Albright to adjourn the meeting of the River Valley Board of Education at 8:11pm.

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Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: Stump, Albright, Glenn-Short, Beineke, Rengert
Nays:

President Rengert declared the motion carried.

Board President

Attest