

President Armstrong announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting.

Personnel and legal issues were discussed.

A Regular Meeting of the Riverside School Board was held on the above date in the Riverside High School Library with President Armstrong presiding and the following members present: George Bieber, Caryn Emiliani, Barbara Fedor, Kevin Harchar, Linda Joyce, Mary Antoniaci McHugh, Tara Meredick, and Dan Nenish.

Also present were Paul M. Brennan, William Drazdowski, and Raymond C. Rinaldi II.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS – None.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mr. Harchar to approve minutes of 15 October 2019 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading and accept as delivered. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve payrolls of 4 October 2019 of \$403,892.29 and 18 October 2019 of \$435,582.28. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve estimated payrolls of 1 November 2019 of 398,000, 15 November 2019 of 400,000, and 29 November 2019 of 399,000. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve Treasurer's Report for September 2019 and the unreconciled balances as of October 31, 2019. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Balance September 1, 2019	\$ 2,360,831.34
Receipts Month of September	5,364,349.20
Total Balance and Receipts	\$ 7,725,180.54
Expenditures Month of September	<u>1,523,635.65</u>
Balance September 30, 2019	\$ 6,201,544.89

(SEE ATTACHED)

I certify that I have verified these financial statements and submit same for the approval of the Board of Education.

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George Bieber, Treasurer

Mr. Bieber also reported the un-reconciled ending balances as of October 31, 2019 as follows:

General Fund - \$3,221,378.66; Taylor Tax - \$1,775,927.41; Moosic Tax - \$2,743,257.14;  
Health Insurance - \$66,891.64; Total \$7,807,454.85.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Harchar to approve and pay bills when found correct and funds are available. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Tyler Buckley as Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Matthew Cognetti as Junior Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to appoint Jennifer Hawker as Assistant Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Bieber to appoint Stephen Petrunich as Junior Varsity Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mr. Bieber to appoint John Gaidula as Junior High Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredith to appoint David Johns as Boys' Assistant Track Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredith to appoint King-Shakim Rose as Girls' Assistant Track Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,881.89. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Nenish to appoint Cassie Semyon as Junior High Assistant Track Coach for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$2,023.67. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mr. Harchar to post for two (2) Winter Weightlifting Instructors for the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of \$800 each. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the attached list of student activity accounts for the 2019-2020 school year: High School Activity Fund, Elementary East Student Council Account, and Elementary West Student Council Account. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve an agreement, subject to Business Manager's review, with Government Software Services, Inc. for preparation and distribution of Homestead/Farmstead Notices as required by Act 1. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Meredick, Emiliani, Nenish, Antoniaci McHugh, Harchar, Fedor, Armstrong. ABSTAIN, Bieber.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Mr. Harchar to recognize that the Riverside School District has applied for a competitive PCCD grant that, if awarded, funding from the grant will be utilized for additional counseling services and programs. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to recognize that the Riverside School District has applied for a Meritorious PCCD grant that, if awarded, funding from the grant will be utilized for the purchase of security-related technology items based on safety needs identified. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Harchar to approve the following: **SCHOOL-**

**SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Faculty vs. Seniors Volleyball Game – High School Gym –

November 27, 2019 – 12:30 p.m.\*; Breakfast with Santa – High School Cafeteria, Commons &

Main Lobby – December 22, 2019 – 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Set-up on December 21, 2019 –

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.\*; Taylor Lions Holiday Tournament – High School Gym – December 26,

27, 28 & 29, 2019\*; Luzerne IU18 - CSBBH – Holiday Party for clients/families – Riverside

Elementary East Multi-Purpose Room –December 18, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.\*;

Riverside Youth Basketball (RYBA) – Amend the October 15, 2019 use of facilities board

approval for game times on any Saturday when the Vikes or Lady Vikes have home basketball

games. RYBA game times will be 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.\*. The Superintendent has the

ability to amend schedules and assign gym time for students and organizations. **NON-SCHOOL**

**SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Taylor Borough Civil Service Commission – Track (High School

Gym if inclement weather) – Civil Service Physical Agility Test – November 23, 2019 – 9:00

a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; Dianne Haduck Christmas Show – HS Auditorium – December 8, 2019–

12:00 pm – 3:30 pm; Dianne Haduck Dance Recital – HS Auditorium – May 14, 2020 (dress

rehearsal) 5:00 – 8:00 pm and May 17, 2020 (recital) – 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Use is contingent upon

adherence to the District Policy on Use of Facilities. \*The School Board recognizes that this is a

school sponsored event. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to appoint Daniel Stevens as Long-

Term Secondary Science Substitute Teacher effective October 23, 2019 at a pro-rated salary of

\$43,670, Step 1, Bachelor's Column of the 2019-2020 salary schedule. Roll call vote: All in

favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Bieber to approve the Leave Request of Diane Miller, Elementary Teacher, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint Kristin Samsell as Director of Special Education at a salary of \$85,000. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to appoint Andrea Kidwell as Cleaning Person. This position is for 3 ½ hours per day at \$11 per hour. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Nenish to appoint Kayla Pacuilli as Cleaning Person. This position is for 3 ½ hours per day at \$11 per hour. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Harchar, seconded by Mr. Nenish to open a Student Assistant Fund with Fidelity Bank for Riverside Elementary East. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve the attached Pay Applications for Bognet, Inc. at a cost of \$15,725.70 and additionally \$1,800 for the Cafeteria renovations. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve the attached Pay Application for Apollo Group, Inc. at a cost of \$3,073.50 for the Cafeteria renovations. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Nenish to authorize Raymond C. Rinaldi II to sign the proposed settlement stipulation for case #2015-6966. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan welcomed Kristin Samsell back to Riverside. He thanked Barb Fedor and Linda Joyce for their work on the Facilities and Academic Committees.

Business Manager's Report – Mr. Drazdowski reported on increases in the number of breakfasts and lunches sold this school year and the increase in state reimbursement. He thanked Mr. Brennan, Donna Gilroy, Building Administration, and Kelly McKeefery for letting parents/students know about free breakfast and lunch at both elementary schools this year.

Solicitor's Report – None

Academic Affairs Committee – Mrs. Joyce reported that meetings have been scheduled with different companies regarding curriculum for 2020-2021.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. Fedor praised Mr. Oustrich for doing a great job. Flooring in West's boys' bathrooms was installed and repairs were made in the flooring in the High School Commons.

Finance Committee - None

Alternative Funding Options & Resources Committee – Ms. Antoniaci McHugh stated that there are no mirrors in the girls' bathroom at East. Barb Fedor will look into this.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Nenish stated that the Football season went well. Basketball season will be starting soon. He is looking into another platform to broadcast basketball games. He will be meeting with Mrs. Chisdock.

NEIU 19 – Ms. Emiliani attended the PSBA Conference in Hersey on October 15-18, 2019. She brought back informational materials for Mr. Brennan and Mr. Drazdowski. The next NEIU 19 meeting will be on November 19, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS – None

OPEN – Mrs. Armstrong stated that the Reorganization and Regular Meetings will be held on December 2, 2019 starting at 6:00 p.m. The November 18, 2019 Committee Meetings will start at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Meredick, seconded by Mr. Harchar to adjourn. Roll call vote: All in favor.

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Carol Armstrong, President

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Barbara Fedor, Secretary