

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, Tara Meredick, and Dan Nenish. Absent: Mary Antoniaci McHugh.

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

Certificates were presented to students by Mr. Brennan.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS – None.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve minutes of 10 December 2018 Reorganization Meeting and 10 December 2018 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading and accept as delivered. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Harchar to approve payrolls of 14 December 2018 of \$418,627.79 and 28 December 2018 of \$403,886.01. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve estimated payrolls of 11 January 2019 of \$397,000 and 25 January 2019 of \$396,500. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mr. Harchar to approve Treasurer's Report for November, 2018 and the unreconciled balances of December 31, 2018. Roll call vote: All in favor.

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

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Ben Thomas as Assistant Girls' Track Coach effective the 2018-2019 school year at a stipend to be established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mr. Nenish, seconded by Mr. Bieber to appoint Anthony Trotta as Winter Weightlifting Instructor effective the 2018-2019 school year at a stipend of \$800. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to appoint Anthony Trotta as Football Assistant Coach effective the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint James Tucker as Freshman Football Coach effective the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint Heidi Evans as Junior High Soccer Coach effective the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion to appoint Jared Godlewski as Junior High Cross Country Coach effective the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint Kristen Thomas as Unit Advisor effective the 2019-2020 school year at a stipend to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Nenish to post for the following positions: **2018- 2019** Junior High Track Coach and Junior High Baseball Coach; **2019-2020** Football Assistant Coaches (3), Assistant Freshman Football Coach, Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach, and Assistant Unit Advisor. Stipends to be established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint William Drazdowski as Business Manager. Roll call vote: YES, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the Fee Agreement for Attorney Raymond C. Rinaldi II, District Solicitor, to include an hourly rate of \$100 for the period January 2019 through December 2019. This is in addition to the retainer fee of \$750.00 per month, or \$9,000.00 annually, approved at the 10 December 2018 Reorganization Meeting. Roll call vote: Yes, Joyce, Emiliani, Bieber, Harchar, Meredick, Nenish, Fedor, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to adopt the Resolution recognizing January as National School Board Recognition Month. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Bieber to approve the following use of facilities request(s): **SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Riverside Boys' Basketball Booster Club – High School Cafeteria – April 6, 2019 (set-up) 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and April 7, 2019 (Calendar Party) – 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.*; PROSPER – Craft Fair – REE Multi-Purpose Room – April 6, 2019 (Craft Fair) 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and April 5, 2019 (Set-Up) – 3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.*; PROSPER – Strengthening Families Program at REE (cafeteria, art room, and library) – January 31, 2019 to March 21, 2019 – Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.*; Senior Class Volleyball Tournament – High School Gym – March 30, 2019 – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Snow date – April 6, 2019)*; Unit Show – High School Auditorium & Cafeteria – February 16, 2019 (dress rehearsal) 9:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. and February 17, 2019 (show) 4:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.*.

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 Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Bieber to approve the Leave Request of Angel Branch, Aide, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mr. Bieber to accept the Letter of Intent to Resign from Jennifer Purdy as Para-Educator effective February 15, 2019 and as Unit Advisor effective February 17, 2019. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the Leave Request of Dominic Preston, Lunch Monitor, as outlined in his letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to post and advertise for Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Nenish to approve the Moosic Little League's Use of Facilities Request to use the High School Commons for registrations on February 2 & 9, 2019 from 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. 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 Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Meredick to approve Part K Project Refinancing for General Obligation Bonds Series 2017 for submittal to PDE to secure updated reimbursements.

Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mr. Bieber to approve the Lackawanna League of Women's Voters' Use of Facilities Request to use the High School Auditorium for a debate on February 27, 2019, subject to availability. Use is contingent upon adherence to the District Policy on Use of Facilities. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan thanked the Board for all their work as board members.

Business Manager's Report – Mr. Drazdowski thanked the Board for his appointment to Business Manager. He reported that the 2018 audit has been completed and that the District had its first positive ending fund balance since 2012.

Solicitor's Report – Attorney Rinaldi thanked the board for their continued support.

Academic Affairs Committee – Mrs. Joyce will be meeting with our Curriculum Coordinator in the upcoming weeks.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. Fedor will schedule a meeting with Mr. Bieber and Mr. Surrige.

Finance Committee – Mr. Bieber stated that the 2019 budget is a work in progress. A preliminary budget should be ready in February.

Alternative Funding Options & Resources Committee – No report.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Nenish reported on new mats being hung in the gym this week.

NEIU 19 – Ms. Emiliani reported that the NEIU meeting is January 22, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

OPEN – Mrs. Armstrong announced that the January 22, 2019 Committee Meeting has been cancelled. The February 11, 2019 Board Meeting has been reschedule to February 12, 2019. Bryce Collins asked about getting a new mat for the Track high jump. Mrs. Armstrong stated that Mr. Nenish is aware of this need. Dina Castaldi and Lisa Bouselli had questions about the requirements for trying out for Miss Viking, specifically why the cheerleader has to be on the squad since her Freshman year. Both Mrs. Armstrong and Mr. Nenish responded. Chris Tompkins stated that this has been the rule. Tom Geroulo congratulated the District on receiving grants for school safety. He reported to the Board that the Supreme Court recently ruled that a missing mat is a liability for the school district.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mr. Bieber to adjourn. Roll call vote: All in favor.