

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

Personnel and legal issues were discussed.

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside School Board was held on the above date in the Riverside Jr-Sr High School Library with President Armstrong presiding and the following members present: Bob Bennie, George Bieber, Michael Duda, Caryn Emiliani, Barbara Fedor, Linda Joyce, Charles Maurer, and Mary Antoniaci McHugh.

Also present were Paul M. Brennan, Joseph Surridge, and Attorney Raymond C. Rinaldi, II.

Award certificates were presented to Elisabeth Spindler.

Audience Questions/Comments on any Agenda Items – None.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Maurer to approve minutes of 14 March 2016 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading and accept as delivered. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Duda to approve payrolls of 11 March 2016 of \$368,709.20 and 25 March 2016 of \$347,892.18. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mr. Duda to approve estimated payrolls of 8 April 2016 of \$370,000.00 and 22 April 2016 of \$365,000.00. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bennie, seconded by Mr. Duda to approve Treasurer's Report for February 2016 and the un-reconciled ending balances for March 31, 2016. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Antoniaci McHugh 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. Joyce to appoint Daniel Digwood as Athletic Director for the 2016-2017 school year at a stipend of \$7,538.37, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Bennie, Bieber, Emiliani, Armstrong. NO, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Duda. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Michael Morgan as Athletic Director for the 2016-2017 school year at a stipend of \$7,538.37, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. YES, Antoniaci, McHugh, Maurer. NO, Fedor, Joyce, Bennie, Bieber, Emiliani, Armstrong. MOTION DID NOT CARRY.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to appoint Michael Morgan as Head Boy's Basketball Coach for the 2016-2017 school year at a stipend of \$7,538.37, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bieber, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong. NO, Bennie. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Bieber to appoint Jack Mekilo as Head Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2016-2017 school year at a stipend of \$7,538.37, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bennie, Bieber, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Bieber to appoint Nicole Pica as Assistant Junior High Track Coach for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$1,799.23, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bennie, Bieber, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to appoint Ben Thomas as Spring Weightlifting Instructor for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$800.00, with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bieber, Emiliani, Armstrong. NO, Bennie and Duda. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Bieber to post for one Spring Weightlifting Instructor for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$800. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Ms. Emiliani to post for the following positions for the 2016-2017 school year: Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach - \$5,044.43; Assistant Girls'

Basketball Coach - \$5,044.43; Freshman Boys' Basketball Coach -\$3,638.47; Jr. High Boys' Basketball Coach - \$3,638.47; Equipment Manager - \$2,500.00; Band Director - \$5,452 & \$82.43/parade; Football Assistant Coach - \$3,892.82; Stipends approved with any adjustments, if needed, to be made as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Bieber to allow the Riverside Marching Band to participate in the following events: Scranton Half Marathon – April 10, 2016; Autism Walk – April 17, 2016; Moosic Little League Parade – April 23, 2016; Scranton Armed Forces Day Parade – May 21, 2016; and Taylor Memorial Day Parade – May 30, 2016. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mr. Duda to allow the Riverside Marching Units to participate in the Taylor Memorial Day Parade on May 30, 201. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the 2016-2017 School Calendar giving the Superintendent of Schools the authority to make adjustments. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve the Leave Request of Heather DeNinno, Special Education Teacher, Riverside School District, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Said leave to be effective March 30, 2016 through June 15, 2016. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint John T. Yarem as Crisis & Compliance Counselor, effective the 2016-2017 school year, at a salary of \$59,386, Step 5, Master's + 60 Column of the 2012-2013 salary schedule, with any adjustments, if needed, as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bennie, Bieber, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Ms. Emiliani to approve the following Use of Facilities Requests: **SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT(S):** Special Ed Department & Include Me Program - REW Multi-Purpose Room - April 13, 2016 - 6 pm to 8 pm*; Riverside Summer School Program through NEIU 19 – 21st CCLC grant (Grades 6, 7 & 8) – June 27, 28, 29, 30, July 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, August 1, 2, 3, 4 – Riverside Jr-Sr High School*; Math/Science/STEM Partnership Grant – Teacher Post Testing – Room 245 of the Jr/Sr High School – May 17, 2016 & May 18, 2016 - 5:00pm–7:00pm.*; Thomas Family – High School Cafeteria – Annual graduation party* 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. Duda, seconded by Mr. Maurer to approve the Extended School Year high school and elementary programs to be held from July 5, 2016 to July 28, 2016. The programs will be held 3 days per week at 3 hours per day. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to post for two Extended School Year Teachers and two Para-professionals for the 2015-2016 Extended School Year Programs.

Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to approve the Microsoft Volume Licensing Participation Agreement for Education Solutions for the Enrollment Licensed Period, August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2019. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to post for a District Computer Technician. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bennie, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong. NO, Bieber. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Maurer to post for four (4) maintenance seasonal help assignments. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to place all correspondence and teaching applications on file. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve the attached waiver in lieu of expulsion for student #172001. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mr. Duda to authorize the execution of any and all documents necessary for the sale of Riverside School District delinquent real estate tax claims ending December 31, 2015. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mr. Bieber, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Riverside School District and the Riverside Education Association effective September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2020. Roll call vote: YES, Fedor, Joyce, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, Bennie, Bieber, Duda, Emiliani, Armstrong.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan thanked the negotiating committees, past and present, for their work. Mr. Brennan stated that the 2015-2016 school calendar will be adjusted for the two unused built-in snow days. Graduation will be on June 13, 2016.

Business Manager's Report – None.

Solicitor's Report – None.

Committee Reports were given. Mrs. Armstrong thanked the finance and negotiating committees for their work. Mrs. Joyce, Academics Committee Chair, reported that work is continuing on redistricting.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

OPEN – Wendy Goetz had concerns over the parking lot at Riverside Elementary West. Mr. Brennan responded. Rick Notari, Lackawanna County Community Relations Coordinator, reported on upcoming events. Jamie Trescavage, REA President, thanked the board, past and present, for their work on the approved Collective Bargaining Agreement. Daniel Digwood, Athletic Director, thanked the board for their support.

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