

A moment of silence was held in memory of former Teacher Louis Migal and secretary Michele Cantarella.

A Regular Meeting of the Riverside School Board was held on the above date in the Riverside Administration Office with Vice President Kobeski presiding and the following members present: Carol Armstrong, Mary Burke, Barbara Fedor, Linda Joyce, Laura Kobeski, Brandi Luckasavage, Mary Antoniaci McHugh, Anthony Mattioli and Marion Maurer.

Also present was Paul M. Brennan and Attorney Callejas.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS – Morgan Chabala, Taylor, and Stephanie McGee, Taylor asked about posting for Principal and Vice Principal. Mr. Brennan responded. Mimi Tilberry, Scranton, ask why her comment was not in the March 18 board meeting minutes. Mr. Brennan asked that Motion #2 be tabled until the May board meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Kobeski to approve payrolls of 13 March 2026 of \$449,011.52 and 27 March 2026 of \$454,833.79. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Luckasavage, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve estimated payrolls of 10 April 2026 of \$451,000 and 24 April 2026 of \$452,000. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Ms. Kobeski to approve Treasurer's Report for February 2026 and the un-reconciled ending balances for March 31, 2026. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Luckasavage, seconded by Ms. Maurer to approve and pay bills when found correct and funds are available. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Fedor, seconded by Ms. Burke to appoint Gerry Rose as Football Junior High Assistant Coach effective the 2026-2027 school year at a stipend established as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Armstrong, Burke, Fedor, Joyce, Kobeski, Luckasavage, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, and Mattioli.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Kobeski to appoint Mohamed Ganim as Spring Weightlifting Instructor effective the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend to established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Armstrong, Fedor, Joyce, Kobeski, Antoniaci McHugh, and Mattioli. NO, Burke, Luckasavage, and Maurer. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Ms. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Luckasavage to appoint Ron Pavalonis as Spring Weightlifting Instructor effective the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend to established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Armstrong, Burke, Fedor, Joyce, Kobeski, Lucksavage, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, and Mattioli.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Mrs. Luckasavage to post for the following positions effective the 2026-2027 school year at stipends established per the Collective Bargaining Agreement: Athletic Director, Boys' Head Basketball Coach, Girls' Head Basketball Coach, and Equipment Manager. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the 2026-2027 School Calendar giving the Superintendent of Schools the authority to make adjustments. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Burke, seconded by Ms. Maurer to approve the Extended School Year (ESY) High School and Elementary Programs to be held from June 23, 2026 through July 16, 2026. The programs will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ESY in-service day will be held on Monday, June 22, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Luckasavage to post for the following Extended School Year (ESY) positions: 3 Elementary Autistic Support Teachers and 6 Aides; 1 Elementary Life Skills Teacher and 2 Aides; 1 High School/Middle School Life Skills/Learning Support Teacher and 2 Aides; and 1 Speech Therapist. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Kobeski, seconded by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh to approve the readings of the following Policy Guides: 823 – Opioid Antagonist – 3rd reading; 246 – Wellness – 2nd reading; 808 – Food Services – 1st reading; and 237 – Electronic Devices – 1st reading. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to approve the following Use of Facilities Request(s): **SCHOOL SPONSORED:** Key Club – Mini-THON Bingo Fundraiser – High School Cafeteria – May 3, 2026 – 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.*; Lady Vikes Basketball Booster Club – Dodgeball Tournament Fundraiser – High School Gyms – May 29, 2026 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.*; Drama Club – Talent Show – High School Auditorium – May 30, 2026 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.*; Vikings Helping Vikings – High School Auditorium, Gyms, Cafeteria, Commons, and Parking Lot – Annual VHV Summer Festival – May 30, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Set Up – May 29, 2026*; CSBBH Summer Work Schedule & Summer Program – Riverside Elementary East – Multi-Purpose Room/Library/Playground – June 22, 2026 – August 14, 2026 – 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*;

Jen Haggerty/Prima Elite Academy of Dance – Dance Recital - High School Auditorium – June 15, 2026 – 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.*. Use is contingent upon adherence to the Use of Facilities Policy.

*The School Board recognizes that this is a school-sponsored event. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Antoniaci McHugh, seconded by Ms. Maurer to enter into a contingent co-op wrestling agreement with West Scranton High School. This motion is pending Superintendent and Solicitor review. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to enter into a contingent co-op girls' soccer agreement with Old Forge High School. This motion is pending Superintendent and Solicitor review. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to allow the Riverside Band and Marching Units to participate in the Taylor Memorial Day Parade on May 26, 2026. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Mrs. Armstrong to allow the Riverside Band to participate in the Scranton Armed Forces Day Parade on May 17, 2026. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Kobeski to accept the Letter of Intent to Retire from Anita Davis, Aide, effective June 10, 2026. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Joyce, seconded by Ms. Maurer to post for Aide effective 2026-2027 school year. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Kobeski, seconded by Mrs. Luckasavage to appoint Kayla Mickavicz as Assistant Unit Advisor effective the 2026-2027 school year at a stipend outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: YES, Armstrong, Burke, Fedor, Joyce, Kobeski, Luckasavage,

Antoniacci McHugh, Maurer, and Mattioli.

Motion by Ms. Antoniacci McHugh, seconded by Ms. Burke to approve the Extended Leave Request for Natalie Winters as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Burke to approve the Revised Leave Request for Josh Aniska as outlined in his letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Kobeski, seconded by Mr. Mattioli to accept the Letter of Intent to Retire from Vito Quaglia, Principal, as outlined in his letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Maurer to post for Principal and Vice Principal. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to approve the Leave Request of Elaine Orzel, Secretary, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to accept the Letter of Intent to Retire from Kristin Samsell, Director of Special Education, as outlined in her letter on file in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Kobeski, seconded by Mrs. Joyce to approve the SentinelOne 3-year Statewide Agreement offered through NEIU 19 and Capital Area Intermediate Unit. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Maurer to enter into an agreement with Miller Flooring (COSTARS vendor) for replacement of the high school gym floor. Roll call vote:
All in favor.

Motion by Ms. Kobeski, seconded by Mrs. Fedor to appoint Abigail Blaine as Elementary Teacher effective the 2026-2027 school year at Step 1, Bachelor's Column at a salary of \$48,270. Roll call vote: YES, Armstrong, Burke, Fedor, Joyce, Kobeski, Luckasavage, Antoniaci McHugh, Maurer, and Mattioli.

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, seconded by Ms. Kobeski to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Riverside School District and RESPA regarding summer hours. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Solicitor's Report - None

Education Committee – Mrs. Joyce stated that she attended the recent alumni event at the high school with Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Fedor. She congratulated Mrs. Morgan Chabala on a successful event.

NEIU 19 – Mrs. Joyce reported on the Early Intervention programs.

Board Policy Committee – Mrs. Luckasavage reported that policy guides are up-to-date.

Maintenance Committee – Mrs. Fedor reporting on completed and on-going projects. Joseph Gnall is the Metz employee of the month.

Finance Committee – Ms. Antoniaci McHugh reported that the 2026-2027 budget is almost completed. The proposed 2026-2027 budget will be on the May agenda.

Sports Committee – Mrs. Armstrong congratulated the new spring weightlifting instructors. She congratulated the Power Lifting team on their success. She stated that we are looking for a Varsity Soccer coach.

Student Affairs Committee – Ms. Kobeski reported on a successful Casual Day Fundraiser.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brennan reported that the District will be closed on Friday, April 17, 2026, to allow employees to attend funeral services for Michele Cantarella. A make-up day will be added on to the end of the 2025-2026 school calendar. He also reported on the passing of a 40-year former teacher, Lewis Migal. He reported on plans to replace the current high school gym floor. He reported on Nico Antoniaci and Brayden Rose being named to All Regions, Brayden n Rose has received 15 D-1 football offers to date, and Tommy Schechterly was named wrestler of the year and All Regional. He congratulated Mrs. Morgan Chabala on the success of the recent alumni event at the high school. He thanked both Kristin Samsell and Vito Quaglia for their work at the District and wishes them well on their retirement.

OLD BUSINESS - Mrs. Fedor reported that she received a thank you card from Old Forge student Ryan DeMarco.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Student Mady Owens, Taylor, discussed her project as the new Miss Viking. Mr. Brennan asked Mady about working on a second project as Miss Viking. Kristen Samsell thanked everyone for her time at Riverside. Michael McKeffery, Moosic, talked about the VHV Summer Festival.

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