

RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
January 14, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., in the Elementary Cafeteria.

Present were: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace, B. Winerling, R. Ehrich, and J. Lennon

Absent were: C. Jenkins and M. Pinho

Mr. Holak led the flag salute.

Mrs. Lennon announced that adequate notice of the meeting had been given to the public by notifying the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post on January 13, 2021 and posted at the Riverside Town Hall.

The elected member Ms. Rachel Wallace was sworn into office.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Colleen Portela dated November 10, 2020

On the motion by Mr. Mongon, seconded by Mr. Greiner and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the acceptance and filing of the above correspondence.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace, B. Winerling

Nay: 0

Carried

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Ms. Ehrich reported the NJASC is hosting their winter leadership meetings as a series every Tuesday evening for the next 8 weeks. This past Tuesday, Taylor, Joelle, Annie and Thais attended a meeting on hosting virtual events. They got a lot of great ideas and are looking to implement.

GOOD NEWS

Mrs. Milch stated The January Students of the Month include: Rafeeq Bland, Shaina Grinnan, Jeremiah Gale, Frederick Nichols, Kyla Anderson, Emily Valverde, Rui Lopes, Elysia Espinal, Joelle McElroy, Samuel Brinson. The 2021 Teachers of the Year have been announced: Riverside Elementary School—Cristina Bivins, Riverside Middle School—Jennifer Clyde, Riverside High School—Jaclyn Leone. Congratulations to these three teachers, who will be honored again later in the year. If you drove by the school during the last three weeks of December, you saw a huge display from the Riverside Educational, Business, and Residential communities. The entire 2020 Holiday plan was organized by RMS teacher Amanda Jackamonis. The Holiday Drive was headed by Vanessa Connearney, Laura Galgoci, and Lauren Downey, continuing the Project Santa effort that has been in effect for more than 50

years. RMS principal Elizabeth Follis coordinated the Holiday Virtual Site. Jennifer Hunter and the RHS Student Government and National Honor Society handled the decorations, candy cane assembly and canned food drive. Tara McElroy, Emily Meyer, Colleen Tete, Cheryl Hansbury, Heather Wawrzyniak, Andrew Jacobs, Mary Jo Horton, Christine Bilo, Sam Gorelick, Nancy Bivona, Margaret Garvin, Jennifer Van Hee, Lisa Farrell, and Bill Jackamonis participated in many different tasks to put it all together. An overwhelming number of staff and administrators shared read aloud/virtual activities and assisted on the Drive-Through Donation day and also shared the 12 Days of Christmas Giving campaign with their family and friends. The Riverside Board of Education, Riverside Education Association, Riverside Township Committee, Riverside Police, Riverside Fire Company, and Riverside families made generous contributions--truly a whole community working together. Ron Gunkel and Sports Paradise contributed canned goods and The Madison provided dinners for the targeted families. They were also present with their food truck, offering hot chocolate to everyone who drove by the display on Wednesday evening, December 23. That accompanied the sugar cookies purchased by the teachers from L&M Bakery. And in the words of Chairperson Amanda Jackamonis: So many came together. It was really special and felt good to see that. It was the true definition of community. Thank you, Everyone, for making us proud. This is Riverside.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion by Mr. Mongon, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of a Board Workshop Meeting and Regular Board Meeting held on December 10, 2020 and Reorganization meeting held on January 7, 2021.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

On the motion by Mr. Greiner, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Board Secretary's Report (November 30, 2020), the Treasurer's Report (November 30, 2020), the Cafeteria Financial Report (November 30, 2020), the student Activity Financial Report (November 30, 2020), Athletic Council (November 30, 2020) and the Budget Status Report (November 30, 2020), as attached.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS

On the motion by Mr. Mongon, seconded by Mr. Greiner, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves payment of January 2020 bills for the Board of Education and the Cafeteria as attached.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

BUSINESS & FINANCIAL

Statement of Assurance

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Statement of Assurance - Reporting of Paraprofessional Staff - 2020-2021 school year, to be submitted to the Executive County Superintendent, as presented.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

BCIP JIF Renewal

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the attached Indemnity and Trust Agreement and resolution to renew membership in the Burlington County Insurance Pool-Joint Insurance Fund, effective July 1, 2021, for a term of three years.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

2020 CARES AMENDMENT

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the amendment of the 2020 CARES grant, increasing the amount by \$21,894, for a total of \$422,669.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

AUDIT

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township hereby accepts and approves the 2019-20 Audit, as presented with no audit findings and therefore no corrective action plan.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

PERSONNEL

New Employee

On the motion by Mrs. Winerling, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following staff member for the 2020-2021 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.

1. **Scott Helms**, Maintenance, at the 2020-2021 contract salary of \$55,278 (Step 0), prorated start date February 1, 2021.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

School Safety Specialist

On the motion by Mrs. Winerling, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Robin A. Ehrich as the Riverside Township School District School Safety Specialist for the 2021 calendar year.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

New Jersey Family Leave

On the motion by Mrs. Winerling, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the unpaid New Jersey Family leave requests from the employees listed below, for the periods indicated:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Colleen Portela	ES Pre-K Teacher	March 31-June 18, 2021
Laura Stevens	ES Pre-K Teacher	April 13-June 18, 2021

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

Federal Family Leave-Intermittent

On the motion by Mrs. Winerling, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the intermittent unpaid Federal family leave request for **Keith Harris**, Custodian, for the 2020-2021 school year.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

Volunteers

On the motion by Mrs. Winerling, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following volunteers for the 2020-2021 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Donald Jack	Boys Basketball
William Kravitz	Girls Basketball
Nicholas Zoll	Girls Basketball

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

STUDENTS

Out of District Placement

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following out of district student placement for the 2020-21 school year, as listed.

<u>ID#</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>
240195	Winslow Twp High School	\$15,440.16

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

Winter Sports Schedules

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the 2020-2021 Winter Sports schedules, as presented.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

PROGRAM

Preschool Education Aid Program Plan

On the motion by Mrs. Graf, seconded by Mr. Greiner, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Three-Year Preschool Program Plan for 2021-22, as presented.

VOTE-Aye: D. Graf, W. Greiner, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, R. Wallace,
B. Winerling
Nay: 0
Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – No report

FINANCE & INSURANCE – No report

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – No report

ATHLETICS – Mr. Holak stated that they received the fall athletic reports and distributed it to the committee. Mr. McElroy said the coaches appreciated being allowed to have a season.

CURRICULUM – No Report

SAFETY & SECURITY – No Report

STUDENT GOVERNMENT – No Report

DELEGATE TO BURLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS – No Report

DELEGATE TO NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION – Mr. Holak stated there will be a virtual meeting in spring.

DELANCO REPRESENTATIVE – No Report

Acknowledgement of Visitors – None

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion by Mr. Holak, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Lennon
Board Secretary