

**RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
April 10, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Elementary Cafeteria.

Present were: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub (arriving at 7:38), A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell, C. Wagstaff, J. Lennon and R. Ehrich

Absent were: none

Mrs. Lobley 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 4, 2014 and posted at the Riverside Town Hall.

CORRESPONDENCE

NJSBA – School Board Notes dated March 21, 2014

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, 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: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

STUDENT GOVERNMENT – Anna Convery, Student Government Representative reported that FEA spent half a day with their assigned teachers working with the students and learning about the education field on March 17, 2014. On March 20, 2014, NHS student Nicole DiMiero hosted a bake sale to raise funds for Relay for Life. The RHS field hockey team will participate in the event on June 7, 2014 and all donations are welcome. On March 29, 2014 the NHS hosted their first Scrapbooking Day. Over 55 people attended and members of NHS helped throughout the day. The proceeds for the event will cover the NHS scholarships at graduation. Student council is currently working on getting a team to participate in the annual Autism Speaks walk in Mount Laurel on May 17, 2014. Anyone interested in joining the team, ordering a t-shirt or donating to the team, should contact Mrs. Hunter.

GOOD NEWS – Mrs. Milch reported that Teachers of the Year have been selected: Mrs. Gretchen Taylor, Riverside Elementary School; Mrs. Cynthia Park, Riverside Middle School and Mrs. Alison Salerno, Riverside High School. They will be honored in May. Alumnus of the Year has been selected by the REA Pride in education committee: Lorraine Keating Hatcher, class of 1974, will be honored at the Academic and Athletic Awards Night on June 2, 2014. Mrs. Hatcher is a former Riverside Township Board of Education president and currently Deputy Mayor of Riverside.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Mr. Shumway, Mr. Mongon and Mr. Pae introduced the following students of the month:

Elementary- Nathan Kiewell (not present), 3rd grade; Adrian Orellana Ordonez (not present), 4th grade; Annie Magargal (not present), 5th grade.

Middle School- Rachel Armstrong (not present), 6th grade; Casey Oram, 7th grade; Kaitlyn Parker, 8th grade.

High School- Kristin Hightower (not present), 9th grade; Chelsea Jo Horta, 10th grade; Megan Stanley, 11th grade; Christian Stackhouse (not present), 12th grade

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Ehrich reported on the District Goals:

- 1. Staff and administration will work collaboratively to develop and implement the effective use of Student Growth Objectives (SGO's) by November 2013 and allow for revisions if necessary by February 2014.**
The administrative team is currently working to upload all approved SGO's into individual teacher accounts in the Teachscape platform. As student data becomes available meetings between administrators and teachers will take place and SGO's will be scored by the appropriate supervisor.
- 2. Update all policies identified in the 2012-2013 school year as in need of editing, revision and updates.**
Since July 1, 2013 the BOE has adopted 87 policies and 2 regulations that required updating. We are seeking approval on first readings on 14 policies tonight and will seek first readings on our final 15 policy updates in June with anticipated final adoption in July.
- 3. Implement Achieve NJ Teacher and Principal Evaluation requirements by June 2014.**
Administrators are planning for the completion of summative evaluations for all appropriate administrators and teaching staff members.
The Superintendent has provided Teachscape with final documentation and guidelines as specified in creating the summative documents for the district within the Teachscape platform.
The flexibility waiver that was submitted to the Department of Education seeking approval to observe tenured teachers in two long observations versus three short has been approved. This is a three year waiver and will begin with the 2014-15 school year.
- 4. Prepare for the impending 2015 PARCC (Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College & Careers) assessment by spring 2015.**
Our Technology Specialist continues to network with his technology colleagues and attend relevant meetings in an effort to keep the Superintendent and testing coordinators informed of necessary PARCC technology readiness information.
The Superintendent attended a PARCC informational session on March 18.
The middle school successfully participated in and completed the Performance Based Assessment (PBA) field test in eighth grade ELA.
The elementary and high school administrative and guidance staffs are preparing for the End of Year (EOY) field testing scheduled for May in their respective buildings.

The meeting was opened to the public for agenda items only - No one spoke at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mrs. Wagstaff, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of a full Board Workshop Meeting and Regular Board Meeting held on March 13, 2014 a Special Meeting held on March 19, 2014 and a Full Board Workshop Meeting held on March 26, 2014.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Lobley, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Board Secretary's Report (February 28, 2014), the Treasurer's Report (February 28, 2014), the Cafeteria Financial Report (February 28, 2014), the Student Activity Financial Report (February 28, 2014), the Athletic Council Report (February 28, 2014), and the Budget Status Report (February 28, 2014), as presented.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves payment of April, 2014 bills as presented.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

BUSINESS & FINANCIAL

Transfers

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, **Whereas**, the State Department of Education permits transfers among the school district's budgetary line item accounts, **And Whereas**, it is the desire of the Riverside Township Board of Education to make such transfers, **Therefore, Be It Resolved**, by the Riverside Township Board of Education that the Board Secretary is hereby authorized to make the following budgetary account line item transfer.

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
11-000-100-565-04	11-000-100-566-04	\$20,000.00
11-000-291-270-00	11-000-291-249-00	1,300.00

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

Fire Drill and Security Report

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the March Fire Drill Report, submitted by Kurt Address, Fire Marshal, and the Security Drill Report, submitted by Robin A. Ehrich, Superintendent, as attached.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

Lunch Prices

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following cafeteria lunch prices for the 2014-15 school year:

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Reduced</u>
Elementary	\$2.20	\$.40
Middle/High	2.35	.40
Breakfast	1.20	.30
Adult	3.10	
Milk	.55	.35

(A .10 increase for Elementary, MS/HS, and Adult Lunches)

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

Tuition Contracts

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves Tuition Contract Agreements with Collingswood School District for the 2013-14 academic year at a per pupil cost for a Kindergarten student of \$9,396, an Elementary student of \$11,812 and a High School student of \$13,221.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

PERSONNEL**Staff Development**

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Lobley, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following staff development activities for the 2013-2014 school year as attached.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

Practicum Teacher

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Lobley, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the placement of the following college student in practicum assignment as listed during the **2013-2014** school year.

<u>Student</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Dates/Hours</u>
Amanda Beckwith	Rutgers	MS- English (Mrs. Veneziani)	May 12 – May 22, 2014

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell
 Nay: 0
 Carried

Practicum Teacher

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Lobley, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the placement of the following college student in practicum assignment as listed during the **2014-2015** school year.

<u>Student</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Dates/Hours</u>
Jennifer Haas	Rutgers	ES- Kindergarten (Mrs. Bivona)	September 8 – December 12, 2014

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell
 Nay: 0
 Carried

Student Teacher

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Lobley, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the placement of the following student teacher during the **2014-2015** school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Dates/Hours</u>
Brittany Strain	Rutgers	ES-Pre-K (Mrs. Roni Strain)	September 3 – December 12, 2014

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell
 Nay: 0
 Carried

High School Club

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the formation of the World Language Club and volunteers **Ms. Valerie Franz** and **Mrs. Cherin Szul** as advisors for the 2013-2014 school year.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
 and C. Wagstaff
 Nay: 0
 Carried

Volunteer

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following volunteer for the 2013-2014 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Charles Kasowski	Baseball-MS	Volunteer

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell
Nay: 0
Carried

Fall Coach

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves **Daniel Harris** as the Football Head Coach for the **2014-15** school year at the 2012-2013 contract salary of \$7,227.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

POLICY

First Reading

On the motion by Mrs. Lobley, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the first reading of the new and revised polices as presented.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

Abolish Policy

On the motion by Mrs. Lobley, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby abolishes Policy #4210 Telephone Calls.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

STUDENTS

Home Instruction

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. McElroy, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following home instruction for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>ID#</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
201006	03/12/14	04/10/14

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

Out of District Placements

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. McElroy, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following out of district student placements for the 2013-2014 school year as listed.

<u>ID#</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Annual Tuition</u>
2609402023(SID#)	Collingswood School District	\$11,588.00
151304	B.C. Alternative HS	17,953.00

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

Field Trips

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Reale, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following field trips for the 2013-2014 school year as attached.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

HIB

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying report for March 2014 as attached.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

FACILITIES

Facility Use

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. McElroy, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the facility/building use requests for the 2013-14 school year as attached.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell and C. Wagstaff
Nay: 0
Carried

PROGRAM

District Improvement Plan

On the motion by Mr. Potts, seconded by Mrs. Reale, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the NJQSAC District Improvement Plan (DIP) and

authorizes its submission to the Department of Education.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

Elementary Summer School

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the offering of a remedial/support summer school program for designated Riverside students scheduled to be in grades K-4 during the 2014-15 school year, starting July 1, 2014 through August 12, 2014, from 8 AM until 12 PM (Monday-Friday.)

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell

Nay: 0

Carried

Extended School Year Program

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the offering of an extended school year program for grades Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 5 for Riverside students, starting July 1, 2014 through August 12, 2014 from 8 AM until 12 PM (Monday-Friday.)

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, and R. Russell

Nay: 0

Carried

Summer Credit Program

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Potts, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves Educere Inc. to provide remedial credit summer school courses to Riverside High School students, at no cost to the District, and agrees to accept the credits thus earned by those students.

VOTE- Aye: J. D'Agostino, D. Graf, M. Holak, B. Knaub, A. Lobley, T. McElroy, D. Potts, D. Reale, R. Russell
and C. Wagstaff

Nay: 0

Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – No Report

FINANCE & INSURANCE – Mr. McElroy thanked Mrs. Lennon and Ms. Ehrich for all their hard work on the 2014-2015 budget.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS –No Report

ATHLETICS – No Report

POLICY – No Report

CURRICULUM – No Report

SAFETY & SECURITY – No Report

STUDENT ACTIVITIES –No Report

DELEGATE TO BURLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS – No Report

DELEGATE TO NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION – Mr. Russell reported that he will attend the next assembly meeting in May, 2014.

DELANCO REPRESENTATIVE – Mrs. Wagstaff reported that Delanco will be appointing a new Superintendent at their May meeting.

Acknowledgement of Visitors – no one spoke at this time.

The board met with Maryanne Friedman, NJSBA representative for Conflict Resolution training. Mr. McElroy left the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion by Mrs. Reale, seconded by Mr. D’Agostino, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Lennon
Board Secretary