# RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING April 11, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Elementary Cafeteria.

Present were: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts, R. Ehrich, and J. Lennon

Absent were: None

Dr. Parker 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 11, 2019 and posted at the Riverside Town Hall.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

NJSBA-School Board Notes dated March 26, 2019 Email from Scott Atkinson dated March 22, 2019

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mr. Holak, 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, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Matheus Silveira-Silva reported that National Honor Society hosted their 5<sup>th</sup> annual Scrapbooking day on March 23<sup>rd</sup> and raised over \$1,700 for scholarships and service projects. Amberlee Jack is hosting her service project on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the high school cafeteria. She will be making dog toys out of teeshirts. If you have any shirts you would like to donate to the project please drop them off at the high school. If you would like to join them in making dog toys please feel free to stop in on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The Red Cross has awarded student council a \$500 scholarship for collecting over 70 units of blood at their drive in November. The student council is in the process of applying for the Community Smile Award and their \$2000 Club State Charity Award. The Community Smile Award is for schools that complete service hours and student council has completed more than 2000 hours of service this school year. The State Charity Award will go to One Simple Wish and help kids in the foster care system. Student council will find out on May 29<sup>th</sup> at the ceremony if they will be honored in having these awards.

#### **GOOD NEWS**

Mrs. Milch reported that the Western Burlington County Honors Band has been announced; Riverside High School musicians are: Elijah Abad, Holly McColgan, Sareyna Rossi, Mateus Silveira-Silva and Jeanel Zoll.

### STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Mr. Shumway, Mr. Mongon and Mr. Micucci introduced the following students of the month: Elementary School-Raine Rodriguez Sanchez, 3rd grade; Anthony Martinez, 4th grade; Amy Montalvan, 5th grade

Middle School-Jesley Yanez, 6th grade, Juliana Albrecht, 7th grade; Julia Lapp, 8th grade High School- Alyssa Perez (not present), 9th grade; Brianne Cupsie, 10th grade; Aaron Massey, 11th grade; Leslie Ann Lewis (not present) 12th grade.

#### SUPERINTENEDENT'S REPORT

Goal 1: <u>Safety and Security</u>. We will continue to expand on our preparation, training and programming to ensure a safe and secure environment for all district students, staff and visitors. Our primary goal and responsibility is to ensure the school district is fully prepared to effectively respond to all emergencies that may affect the safety of students and staff members.

The Riverside Police Department has scheduled a school safety training exercise to take place on site in June. This training will include the police department, select staff and administration. We have participated in three planning meetings with RCS (surveillance/Security company). We are planning for the following upgrades; all analog cameras will be replaced with digital ones, additional 9 cameras in MS/HS hallways and stairwells, all DVR's will be upgraded, the door access system will be upgraded, interior and exterior strobe lights will be installed. This is phase one in our Freeholders School Safety grant.

Goal 2: <u>Riverside Middle School Comprehensive Support</u>. During the 2018-2019 school year, 60% of math students, grades 6-8, will have met or exceeded their individual growth target using baseline scores with a focus on number systems, geometric functions, and modeling and reasoning.

Based on current assessment data from our middle school math teachers Mr. Mongon has confirmed that, as of the end of the third marking period, approximately 77% of the RMS math students are on target to obtain the math goal set in our state Comprehensive Support plan.

Goal 3: <u>School Culture and Climate</u>. Seek to strengthen student self-awareness, appreciation for individual differences and positive relationship building at RHS through a commitment to good citizenship, service and volunteerism.

The JROTC Junior Achievement program was recently held. Sixty-one (61) Riverside JROTC High School Heroes channeled their talents into inspiring young minds and making this program a success. Twenty-none classes from Riverside Elementary School participated in the day and were actively engaged in the JA program. Over six hundred K-5th grade students learned concepts relating to personal finance, entrepreneurship, and career readiness, preparing them to succeed in a global economy.

FEA concluded their volunteer field experiences (in Delanco schools) and have started their assignments in Riverside. This program puts our students in the classroom learning and helping teachers. This is an extension of their classroom experience.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Holak, 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 March 14, 2019 and Special Meeting on March 19, 2019.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the Board Secretary's Report (February 28, 2019), the Treasurer's Report (February 28, 2019), the Cafeteria Financial Report (February 28, 2019), the student Activity Financial Report (February 28, 2019), Athletic Council (February 28, 2019) and the Budget Status Report (February 28, 2019), as attached.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves payment of April 2019 bills for the Board of Education and the Cafeteria as attached.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

# **BUSINESS & FINANCIAL**

### **Transfers**

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, 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 transfers:

FROM	TO	<b>AMOUNT</b>
11.000.230.334.0.00.00	11.000.230.332.0.00.00	\$1,000.00
11.000.230.610.0.00.00	11.000.266.340.0.00.00	4,095.00
11.000.230.890.0.07.00	11.000.230.895.0.00.00	200.00
11.219.100.101.0.08.00	11.150.100.101.0.01.00	1,000.00
11.219.100.101.0.08.00	11.150.100.101.0.03.00	4,000.00

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### Fire Drill and Security Report

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

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VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### **Organization Activities**

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the addition of a line account within the activities fund for Track & Field.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### **PERSONNEL**

## **Family Leave**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the unpaid family leave requests for the employees listed below for the period indicated:

<b>Employees</b>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date</u>
<b>Stephanie Aubrey</b>	ES 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher	March 13, 2019-June 20, 2019 (Intermittent)
Caitlin Black	ES 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher	September 3-November 22, 2019
Linda Joie	Custodian	April 2, 2019-May 6, 2019

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

## **Graduation Appeals Process Administration**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following staff members as teachers to administer and score the CRT graduation appeals process program at the rate of \$45.57 per hour for the 2018-19 school year, as listed.

<b>Employee</b>	<u>Hours</u>
Valerie Franz	5 (not to exceed)
Cherin Galdi	5 (not to exceed)

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

## **Leave Requests**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the unpaid leave of absence requests for the employees listed below for the period indicated:

<b>Employees</b>	<b>Position</b>	<u>Date</u>
Anastasia Lindenman	ES Instructional Ambulatory Aide	May 16, 2019-June 19, 2019
Tracy Quigley	ES Special Education Teacher	June 19-20, 2019

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

# **Staff Development**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following staff development activities for the 2018-2019 school year, as attached.

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VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts
Nay: 0
Carried
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### **POLICY**

## **Second Reading**

On the motion by Mrs. Pinho, seconded by Mr. Holak, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the second reading of the attached list of new and revised policies and regulations, as presented.

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VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts
Nay: 0
Carried
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### **STUDENTS**

### Field Trips

On the motion by Mr. Holak, seconded by Dr. Parker, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following field trips for the 2018-2019 school year, as attached.

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VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts
Nay: 0
Carried
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### **Fundraisers**

On the motion by Mr. Holak, seconded by Dr. Parker, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following fundraisers for the 2018-2019 school year, as attached.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### **Home Instruction**

On the motion by Mr. Holak, seconded by Dr. Parker, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the following home instruction for the 2018-2019 school year:

<u>ID#</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
191059	April 4, 2019	June 18, 2019
191095	March 8, 2019	April 12, 2019
201047	April 4, 2019	June 19, 2019
201064	April 4, 2019	June 19, 2019

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

## **PROGRAM**

# **Comprehensive Equity Plan-Needs Assessment**

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby authorizes the Affirmative Action team to conduct a needs assessment and develop a Comprehensive Equity Plan.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

# **Elementary Summer School (20 Day Program)**

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, 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 2018-19 school year, starting July 1, 2019 through July 30, 2019, from 8 AM until 12 PM (Monday-Friday).

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker,

M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### Extended School Year Program (20 Day Program)

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, 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 and MD grades 6-8 for Riverside students, starting July 1, 2019 through July 30, 2019 from 8 AM until 12 PM (Monday-Friday.)

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VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

### **Summer Credit Program**

On the motion by Mr. D'Agostino, seconded by Mrs. Pinho, 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, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts
Nay: 0
Carried

## **FACILITIES**

### **Facility Use**

On the motion by Mrs. Pinho, seconded by Dr. Parker, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approves the facility/building use requests for the 2018-2019 school year, as attached.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

PERSONNEL & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS – Mrs. Graf reported that the committee will be meeting with the RAA on May 14, 2019.

FINANCE & INSURANCE – Mr. McElroy reported that the committee had met in the past month to present a budget to the board to be submitted to the state. A Public Hearing for the Budget will be held on May 2, 2019.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS -No report

ATHLETICS -No report

CURRICULUM – Dr. Parker reported that a meeting will be scheduled next month.

SAFETY & SECURITY - No report

STUDENT GOVERNMENT – No report

DELEGATE TO BURLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS – Mrs. Pinho reported that she and Mrs. Lennon will be attending the BCSBA monthly meeting on May 16, 2019.

DELEGATE TO NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION – Mr. Holak reported that he will be attending the Delegate Assembly Meeting on May 18, 2019.

DELANCO REPRESENTATIVE- Mrs. Gonteski reported that Delanco's Public Hearing for the budget will be held on May 1, 2019.

### **Acknowledgement of Visitors**-No visitors

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### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Graf, and carried unanimously, Be It Resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby go into Executive Session at 7:38 pm for the purpose of interviewing board candidate and reviewing the Chief School Administrator's evaluation.

VOTE-Aye: J. D'Agostino, R. Gonteski, D. Graf, M. Holak, T. McElroy, J. Mongon, S. Parker, M. Pinho, D. Potts

Nay: 0 Carried

Mr. Potts left the meeting at 7:40 pm.

The board interviewed candidate for board vacancy.

Mr. McElroy, Mr. Mongon, Mrs. Lennon and Ms. Ehrich left the meeting at 7:55 pm.

The board discussed the CSA evaluation.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion by Dr. Parker, seconded by Mr. D'Agostino, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Lennon Board Secretary