



# Board Briefs



## September 22, 2015 Regular Meeting

The following **Finance/Audit** recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Financial reports for all funds, Budget Modification report, Fund to Fund Transfers and the Check Payment Register report for August 2015.
- ❖ Approval of an agreement with Kim Tylicki Giusto for 2015 ESY Braille Instruction for students with disabilities from Riverside Local Schools.
- ❖ Approval of an Inter-district Service Area Contract with the Geauga County Educational Service Center.
- ❖ Approval of an Agreement for Services with Carrie Stewart, MSSA, LISW-S for educational purposes of students with disabilities from the Riverside Local School District for the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approval to accept a donation from Digital Imaging Specialist of a Copystar CS6030 Reconditioned to the Riverside Local School District at a value of \$3,250.00.
- ❖ Approval of Student Service Agreements - ASPIRE with Re-Education, Inc. for educational purposes of students with disabilities from Riverside Local Schools for the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approval of a contract with Edmentum for Grades 3 – 8 Study Island Program for the 2015-16 school year.
- ❖ Approval of a Special Education Cooperative Agreement with the Geauga County Educational Service Center (Auburn Career Center) for educational purposes of students with disabilities from Riverside Local Schools for the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approval of Permanent Appropriations for FY2016 and Amended Certificate of Resources for FY2016.
- ❖ Approval to accept a donation of \$150.00 in memory of Thomas Lipps to the Riverside Music Department from the Lake & Geauga Area Association of Realtors.
- ❖ Approval of an Agreement with Crossroads LCACS, Inc. for educational purposes of students with disabilities from the Riverside Local School District, effective for the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approval of the operating transfer of \$2,467.25 from the General Fund 001 to Bond Fund 002 to cover final tax collection fees for final activity in bond fund for the maturing School Improvement Refunding Bonds Series 2003 final payment.
- ❖ Appointment of Jack Miley as delegate and Belinda Grassi as alternate to the 2015 OSBA Annual Business Meeting at Capital Conference.
- ❖ WHEREAS, public schools have been the hallmark of the American education system and the foundation of the nation's democracy; and  
WHEREAS, Ohio's schools have traditionally been governed by an elected board of education whose members have been chosen by their fellow community members to make sound decisions about educating their community's children and to determine the most effective use of local tax dollars in pursuit of that goal; and  
WHEREAS, the 2010 appointment of an academic distress commission in the Youngstown City Schools and the recent restructuring of that commission to function under a CEO appointed by individuals who may reside outside the Youngstown community — as opposed to being named by those who best know that community — has set aside the ability of the elected board of education to exercise its governing authority; and  
WHEREAS, those restructuring changes were contained in a last-minute amendment to House Bill 70, which the Ohio General Assembly passed without any serious input from the Youngstown City Board of Education or Youngstown community; and  
WHEREAS, this amendment was adopted by Columbus-based legislators with little or no connection to the Youngstown community and without any genuine effort to engage those most affected by the action; and  
WHEREAS, this legislation lays the groundwork for the same restructuring changes to take place in other districts across the state  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the elected members of the Riverside School District Board of Education, on behalf of the children and community we serve, do object and protest the manner in which this legislation was passed and question how district reforms and improvements can be achieved without involving and engaging the elected board of education and Youngstown community; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we ask the state superintendent of public instruction, as the manager of the academic distress commission process, to take appropriate steps to engage the elected board of education and community in the school improvement process prior to appointment of the new CEO; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we implore members of the Ohio General Assembly, the State Board of Education, and Gov. John R. Kasich to seek amendments to House Bill 70 and the academic distress commission procedures that will preserve and enhance democracy and local control; and  
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such amendments should embrace the original intent of House Bill 70: to foster community engagement and collaboration and to create community learning centers to better serve Youngstown's children and families; and  
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Riverside Board of Education hereby adopts this resolution and directs the district treasurer to reflect this action in the board of education's meeting minutes and that copies be distributed to the governor, members of the Ohio General Assembly and State Board of Education and state superintendent of public instruction.

The following **Personnel** recommendations were approved:

**Employment**

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- ❖ Stephanie Eller, Long-Term Substitute Teacher for a teacher on leave of absence at the Riverside Campus for the 2015-2016 school year, effective September 18, 2015.
- ❖ ELL Tutors: Karen Mitchell, Denine Mormino, Carol Stansbury
- ❖ Tutors: Mike Caldwell, Jody Calhoun, Aimee Davis, Barb Dolan, Rick Grubaugh, Colleen Hayman, Ken Huffman, John Kiewit.
- ❖ Jodi Morris, Assistant Cook at LaMuth Middle School, 3.0 hours per day, effective September 23, 2015.
- ❖ Jessica Shade, Long-Term Substitute for the Intervention Tutor, at the Riverside Campus, effective September 22, 2015.

**Supplemental Contracts**

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- ❖ Kelly Puhalsky, LaMuth Student Council
- ❖ Jackie Romano, Dance Team
- ❖ Lauren Wheatley, National Honor Society
- ❖ Matt Sleek, Varsity Football Coach Volunteer
- ❖ Jacob McDonald, Varsity Football Coach Volunteer
- ❖ Mark Baran, Head Swim Coach, Volunteer
- ❖ Mike Richner, Head Wrestling Coach, Volunteer
- ❖ Mike Hanratty, Freshman Volleyball Coach, Volunteer
- ❖ Kasey Eichele, Cheerleading, Varsity/JV, Volunteer
- ❖ Chad Tekavic, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football, Volunteer
- ❖ Kenneth Tinner, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football, Volunteer
- ❖ John Farina, JV Girls Soccer, Volunteer
  
- ❖ Approval of the following as Saturday Academy Monitors for the 2015-2016 school year: LaMuth Middle School – Matthew Grendel, Michael Luzar, and Jacob McDonald; Riverside Campus – Barbara Dolan, Rachael Fenstermaker, Steven Franz, Brandon Hillman, Amanda Kawalek, Maria Lourdes DeLeone, Ken Skorepa, and Alyssa Winer, effective September 12, 2015.
- ❖ Classified Substitutes: Claudia Barbian, Chris Bealko, Kathy Bell, Jacob Bernot, Gary Bly, Shannon Borris, Lori Campola, Tessie Carpenter, Angie Clark, Mary Kay DeRosa, Kathy Fronckowiak, Cynthia Frost, Cartina Gara, Sandra Gasper, Carol Hickey, Lisa Grieco-Kaczmariski, Chelsea Laszlo, Chuck Lieske, Wendy Lombardo, Alexis Maukonen, Tina Miklos, Karen Mitchell, Teala Mitchell, Jodi Morris, Sharma Mudzin, Nancy Nagy, Ed Nemeth, Greg Nemeth, Kristine Ray, Cindy Reed, Tina Rinderman, Lore Robison, Lisa Rodriguez, Tina Schultz, Polly Sullivan, Cynthia Valvoda, Kim Tomba, Jim Ulle, Bobby Jo Watson, Jane Ward, Ed Watson,

The following **Curriculum & Programming** recommendation was approved:

- ❖ Approval of the following Board Policies:
  1. Policy 2114 – MEETING STATE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
  2. Policy 2271 – COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM
  3. Policy 2413 – CAREER ADVISING
  4. Policy 3220 – STANDARDS-BASED TEACHER EVALUATION
  5. Policy 5114 – NONIMMIGRANT STUDENTS AND FOREIGN-EXCHANGE STUDENTS
  6. Policy 5340 – STUDENT ACCIDENTS
  7. Policy 5350 – STUDENT SUICIDE
  8. Policy 5460 – GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
  9. Policy 6108 – AUTHORIZATION TO MAKE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS
  10. Policy 8390 – ANIMALS ON DISTRICT PROPERTY
  11. Policy 8400 – SCHOOL SAFETY

- ❖ Approval to revise the dates of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Gettysburg and Philadelphia from March 9-11, 2016 to March 2-4, 2016. There will be no cost to the Board of Education.
- ❖ Approval to formally recognize the following Parent Organizations and Support Organizations per policies #9211 and #9210 due to the respective organizations complying with board policy and submitting the required documents to the board:  
Riverside Rebounders, AMSCO, Buckeye Elementary PTA, RHS Gridiron, RBI Club, Melridge Elementary PTO, Riverside Flying R Booster Club, Painesville Township Band Booster (dba Riverside Band Boosters), Courtside Club, Clyde C. Hadden Elementary Community Organization, Hale Road Elementary Community Organization, Leroy School Association, Madison Avenue School Community Organization, Riverside Local Wrestling Club.
- ❖ **Whereas** the Riverside Local School District hereby declares that providing career-technical education for students enrolled in grades 7 and 8 during the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 3313.90[B] will not take place. Instead, the District will focus on the implementation of the Career Advising program and career-technical course development for grades 7 and 8.  
**Whereas** the Riverside Local School District understands that the waiver is only for the 2015-2016 school year:  
**Therefore, be it resolved** that the Riverside Local School District hereby authorizes the District Superintendent or Designee to submit to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction this resolution and justification for requesting not to provide middle school career-technical education for the 2015-2016 school year.

The following **Buildings & Grounds/Operations** recommendation was approved:

- ❖ Ohio SB 210 requires school districts to set standards for all food and beverages sold to students during the school day and to report annually to the Board of Education on compliance. Riverside Local School District is compliant with regulations for all snack food sold by adhering to the Smart Snacks in School standards as determined by the USDA and all beverages sold meeting the requirement for beverage standards as outlined in SB 210.

**This ends all official action by the Board of Education.**

Next Meeting:	Work Session	October 5, 2015	7:00 p.m.
	Regular Meeting	October 27, 2015	7:00 p.m.
	Regular Meeting	November 23, 2015	7:00 p.m.