



Board Briefs



December 15, 2025 Special Board Meeting

Board of Education Business

- ❖ Approval to enter into consecutive executive sessions for the purposes of (1) considering the employment, dismissal, discipline, demotion, and compensation of a public employee/official and (2) conferencing with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of imminent court action pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(1) and (3). Upon conclusion of these executive sessions, the Board President shall gavel the Board back into open session at this location. All matters discussed in these executive sessions are designated to the public officials and employees as confidential pursuant to R.C. 102.03(B) because of the status of the proceedings and/or the circumstances under which the information will be received, and preserving its confidentiality is necessary to the proper conduct of government business.
- ❖ Approval to set a date, time and place for RC 3319.16 the termination hearing. Pursuant to the December 12, 2025 written demand of Dr. Christopher J. Rateno. The Riverside Local School District Board of Education hereby sets the date and time for the RC 3319.16 hearing before a RC 3319.161 referee for January 4, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. which is not less than 20 days of the instant action of December 15, 2025 and not more than 30 days from the of the written demands. The hearing shall be held at the Riverside Local School District board conference room, 585 Riverside Drive, Painesville, Ohio 44077. The treasurer is directed to provide Rateno with notice of this date, time, and location on December 15, 2025. The treasurer is further directed to provide the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce with notice of this date, time, and location on December 15, 2025 and to request the appointment of a referee.
- ❖ Approval to appoint and employ interim superintendent pursuant to RC 3313.845 and all other applicable laws. The Riverside Local School District Board of Education hereby appoints and employs Robert Scott through the Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve Governing Board to serve as interim superintendent of schools for the district. The interim superintendent shall be employed at an hourly rate of \$115.34 and such rate shall be subject to a 6% administrative fee in accordance with the Riverside Local School District Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve Master Agreement. Service shall commence on December 15, 2025 and shall continue until either party notifies the other in writing to terminate this agreement or the board appoints a permanent superintendent. The authority of the interim superintendent is expressly limited to the day-to-day educational and operational functions of the Riverside Local School District and therefore shall not make or implement any long-term decisions. All expenses incurred while conducting services as the interim superintendent, including but not limited to mileage, travel, meals, and other reimbursable costs, shall be billed separately and shall constitute an additional cost to the board subject to the applicable board policies and procedures, ESCWR policies and procedures and the master agreement. This appointment and employment resolution is further subject to the terms and conditions established by the ESCWR. Both the board and the ESCWR retain the right to immediately terminate interim superintendent services upon providing notice to the president of the other party.

This ends all official action by the Board of Education.