

RIVERSIDE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION



Riverside High School
December 10, 2025
4:30 P.M. Special Meeting

MINUTES

A recording of this Board of Education meeting is available on the District’s YouTube page here:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbTmn_sGBiEvF2c598hBCSg

1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order at 4:30 p.m.

Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 0164B of the Riverside Local Board of Education which was adopted in accordance with Section 1.450 of the O.R.C. and the Ohio Administrative Procedures Act.

The Bylaws of the Board of Education can be found in BoardDocs.

B. Roll Call: Fishel, Keeney, Brewster, Grassi-absent, Krenisky

C. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Motion to move item 2B, Special Report – Board President Update, to after item 3D, and to remove item 3B – Transfer of Funds.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Keeney

Vote:

Scott Fishel	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Dennis Keeney	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Denise Brewster	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Lori Krenisky	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____

President declares motion: carried 121025-1

Mrs. Grassi joined the meeting at 4:43 p.m.

3. Special Reports

- A. Report and Presentation to the Board of Education from Briscoe Consulting Group regarding its financial analysis and related work for the Riverside Local School District.
James Briscoe presented the findings of his financial review. A spirited discussion followed with questions and concerns brought up by Mrs. Grassi. Dr. Thompson gave a rebuttal of the findings.

4. Board of Education Business

- A. Resolution to Accept the report from Briscoe Consulting Group regarding its financial analysis and related work for the Riverside Local School District.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Keeney

Discussion: Mrs. Krenisky would like to see the vote postponed until everyone has time to fully review the report. Mr. Fishel said adjustments can be made later so he suggests the report is accepted.

Vote:

Scott Fishel	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Dennis Keeney	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Denise Brewster	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay _____	Abstain _____
Belinda Grassi	Aye _____	Nay <u> X </u>	Abstain _____
Lori Krenisky	Aye _____	Nay <u> X </u>	Abstain _____

President declares the motion: carried 121025-2

- B. Resolution to Award Construction Contract to RoofConnect Logistics, Inc dba RoofConnect ("RoofConnect") for Roofing Improvements at Riverside High School, J.R. Williams Junior High School, LaMuth Middle School, Parkside Elementary School, and Riverview Elementary School under Ohio Revised Code 167.081

WHEREAS, consortium purchases made under Ohio Revised Code 167.081 are exempt from competitive bidding requirements when the Riverside Local School District Board of Education ("Board") elects to participate in a contract that was publicly bid by a regional council of which the Riverside Local School District is a member, a statewide consortium of which the council is a member, or a multistate consortium of which the council is a member; and

WHEREAS, RoofConnect was the successful bidder for roofing products and services in response to RFP-2133 issued by the Cooperative Council of Governments on behalf of Equalis Group; and

WHEREAS, RoofConnect's successful bid is known as #COG-2133B; and

WHEREAS, the Board may participate in the consortium purchasing program available through the Cooperative Council of Governments and Equalis Group for Roofing products and services under #COG-2133B and

WHEREAS, RoofConnect submitted the attached proposal dated December 1, 2025 to complete roofing improvements at Riverside High School, J.R. Williams Junior High School, LaMuth Middle School, Parkside Elementary School, and Riverview Elementary School (“Proposal”); and

WHEREAS, this procurement complies with all applicable state law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby awards a construction contract to RoofConnect as set forth in the Proposal under Ohio Revised Code 167.081 and further authorizes the Board President and Treasurer/CFO to enter into an agreement for the completion of the work set forth in the Proposal in an amount not to exceed \$2,995,365.00 provided that RoofConnect provides the necessary and applicable performance bond to the Board President and Treasurer/CFO prior to payment by the District.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Keeney

Discussion: Mrs. Grassi asked where we will pay for this from. Mr. Fishel responded that it will be paid for out of the General Fund. Mrs. Grassi read from the contract that once the contract is awarded, it will be invoiced for immediate payment within three days with a cancellation penalty of 50% if cancelled for any reason and it is non-refundable and irrevocable. Melanie Leneghan from RoofConnect gave a presentation on this opportunity as an investor has been found to complete the project. A discussion on the impact to the district followed the presentation.

Vote:

Scott Fishel	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Dennis Keeney	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Denise Brewster	Aye__X__	Nay_____	Abstain_____
Belinda Grassi	Aye_____	Nay__X__	Abstain_____
Lori Krenisky	Aye_____	Nay__X__	Abstain_____

President declares the motion: carried 121025-3

Mrs. Brewster left the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Mr. Fishel called for a brief recess.

- C. Resolution to approve and authorize a fee and service agreement with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company for underwriting services in connection with the Riverside Local School District’s Certificates of Participation and/or Tax Anticipation Notes.

Motion: Fishel

Second: Keeney

Discussion: Vote was postponed as no contract has yet been received.

5. Special Report – Board President Update

A. Public update by Board President to summarize the actions taken during the special meeting on December 4, 2025 regarding Superintendent’s employment and future updates.
Mr. Fishel said that what he is presenting is already public information and can be accessed with a public records request to the district Treasurer. He referenced Dr. Rateno’s August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024 and August 1, 2024 to July 31, 2025 performance evaluations. He read in its entirety the Pre-discipline/Pre-termination Conference Demand.

6. Next Meeting Announcement

A. Next meeting announcement		
Finance and Personnel Committee	December 11, 2025	8:00 a.m.
Buildings and Grounds Committee	December 16, 2025	7:30 a.m.
Board of Education Meeting	December 18, 2025	6:00 p.m.

7. Closing Items

A. Motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Motion: Fishel

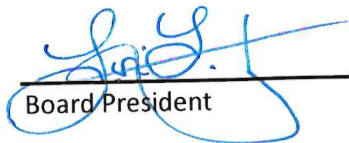
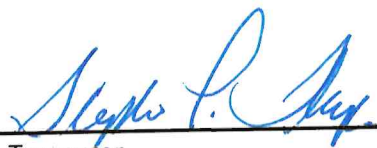
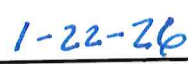
Second: Keeney

Vote:

Scott Fishel	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Dennis Keeney	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Belinda Grassi	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>
Lori Krenisky	Aye <u> X </u>	Nay <u> </u>	Abstain <u> </u>

President declares the motion: carried 121025-4

Attest:

			
Board President	Date	Treasurer	Date