

**RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Richland High School Library
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 17, 2026
6:30 p.m.**

BOARD ATTENDANCE: Mr. Beglin, Mr. Bodolosky, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Shaffer, Mr. Sukenik, and Mr. Yanity

ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE: Dr. Bailey, Mrs. Crowell, Mr. Grandas, Mr. Hostetler, Dr. Lashinsky, Attorney Leventry, Mrs. Long, Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Nadonley, Mr. Regan, Mr. Ribarich, and Mr. Ripple

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Richland School District Board of Directors held an executive session from 6:00 PM to 6:33 PM for legal matters (student matter), real estate matters, personnel (new employee), and labor (potential early-bird proposal).

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CALL TO ORDER - 6:38 p.m.

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS/PUBLIC COMMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE BOARD POLICIES (Exhibit "A")

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS (Mr. Nadonley)

6.1. Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center Update - Mr. Beglin

6.2. East Hills Recreation Update - Mr. Ripple

VI. BOARD REPORT

Board Secretary Announcement - As per Board Policy Nos. 308 and 614, the resignation of Josh Paros as Junior High Boys Soccer Assistant Coach, effective immediately, and the resignation of Sebastian Wissinger as a full-time custodian, effective July 17, 2026, and the resignation of Kaitlyn Wertz as Elementary Special Education teacher, effective July 17, 2026. (The District may hold Mrs. Wertz for 60 calendar days under the School Code.)

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board President asks if there are any corrections to the Minutes from the June 22, 2026, Board Meeting. If there are corrections, please offer corrections. There are no corrections to the minutes, they stand approved as presented.

VIII. TREASURER’S REPORTS FOR ALL FUNDS AND RATIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR ALL FUNDS

Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Reports (Exhibits “B-1” & “B-2”) and Bills Paid (Exhibit “B-3”).	
Mr. Beglin	X - Abstained from Checks #D000000381, #D000000415, & #D000000416
Mr. Bodolosky	X - Abstained from Check #0001004547
Mr. Hudak	Absent
Mrs. Jordan	Absent
Dr. McCracken	Absent
Mrs. Miller	X
Mrs. Shaffer	X - 1 - Abstained from Check #0001004564
Mr. Sukenik	X
Mr. Yanity	X - 2

IX. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion to approve General Administration Items 6.1 - 6.6.	
Mr. Beglin	X - Abstained from Motion 6.4
Mr. Bodolosky	X
Mr. Hudak	Absent
Mrs. Jordan	Absent
Dr. McCracken	Absent
Mrs. Miller	X
Mrs. Shaffer	X - 2
Mr. Sukenik	X - 1
Mr. Yanity	X

- 6.1. The Board approved the mandated Title I Reading Policy, Title I Compact, and Title I Right to Know Letter for the 2026-27 School Year.
- 6.2. The Board approved the first reading of Revised Board Policy 246 - School Wellness. (Partially-Funded Mandate)
- 6.3. The Board approved the second reading of Revised Board Policies 121.1 - Student Travel and 716 - Integrated Pest Management. (Partially-Funded Mandate)
- 6.4. The Board approved the Bus Drivers, pending receipt of all necessary forms, and authorized the Administration to approve Bus Schedules and Routes for the 2026-27 school year and authorize the Administration to make further changes and additions to the schedules and drivers. (Unfunded Mandate)

- 6.5. The Board approved the Settlement and Release Agreement with Bishop McCort Catholic Academy as presented and authorized the execution of all necessary documents to effectuate same. A joint press release will be shared at a later date after all parties sign and execute said agreement. As such, there will be no comments or public statement from the District, Board, Administration, and employees.
- 6.6. The Board approved the RSD Job Description for Teaching Assistants.

X. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Motion to approve Business and Finance Items 7.1 - 7.35.	
Mr. Beglin	X
Mr. Bodolosky	X
Mr. Hudak	Absent
Mrs. Jordan	Absent
Dr. McCracken	Absent
Mrs. Miller	X - 2
Mrs. Shaffer	X - 1
Mr. Sukenik	X - Abstained from Motion 7.3
Mr. Yanity	X

- 7.1. The Board approved the Letter of Agreement for Title I Services between the Richland School District and Ignite Education Solutions, subject to a 30 day termination clause. The agreement will authorize Ignite Education Solutions to provide \$11,333.00 worth of Title I services to Bishop McCort Elementary School. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.2. The Board approved the Letter of Agreement for Title I Services between the Richland School District and Ignite Education Solutions, subject to a 30 day termination clause. The agreement will authorize Ignite Education Solutions to provide \$3,778.00 worth of Title I services to Johnstown Christian School. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.3. The Board approved physician coverage for five (5) varsity football games for the 2026 season from CSS Windber Medical Center at a cost of \$185 per event. (2025 - \$185 per event) (PIAA Requirement)
- 7.4. The Board approved an agreement between Richland School District and the Alternative Community Resource Program's Children's and Adolescent Partial

Hospitalization Program for the 2026-27 school year. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)

- 7.5. The Board approved the Agreement with Alternative Community Resource Program Inc. to participate in ACRP's "Center for Achievement School" Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Classroom for the 2026-27 school year at a cost of \$225 daily per student. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (2025-26: \$210 daily) (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.6. The Board approved an agreement between Richland School District and the Alternative Community Resource Program for on-site Mental Health Therapy for the 2026-27 school year. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.7. The Board approved the motion to allow all 11th grade Richland High School students to participate in the PSAT on October 6, 2026, at an approximate cost of \$18 per student tested, for a total amount not to exceed \$2000.
- 7.8. The Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding for School-age Child Care Services between The Learning Lamp and Richland School District for the 2026-27 school year at no cost to the District.
- 7.9. The Board approved the contract between the Richland School District and East Hills Ambulance, Inc. for home football games at a cost of \$400 per contest for the 2026-27 school year. (2025-26: \$400 per contest) (PIAA Requirement)
- 7.10. The Board ratified administrative action to approve the agreement with IU8 Extended Campus for online learning for the 2026-27 school year, with costs outlined in the attached quote.
- 7.11. The Board approved the Sponsor-to-Sponsor Agreement with Pressley Ridge for the 2026-27 school year at a cost of \$2.10 per breakfast served and \$3.65 per lunch served.
- 7.12. The Board approved a Student Assistance Program Memorandum of Agreement between the Richland School District and the Cambria County Drug & Alcohol Program and Cambria County Behavioral Health/Intellectual Disabilities and Early Intervention Program for the 2026-27 school year, pending receipt of the agreement and review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided

said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract.

- 7.13. The Board approved the 2026-27 Memorandum of Understanding with Nulton Diagnostic & Treatment Center Child/Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.14. The Board approved the Letter of Agreement with Goodwill Southern Alleghenies (GSA) for School to Work Transition services for the 2026-27 school year. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Partially Funded Mandate)
- 7.15. The Board approved the agreement with Twin Lakes Center, Inc. for school-based drug and alcohol counseling for the 2026-27 school year.
- 7.16. The Board approved the contracts with Ignite Education Solutions to staff two (2) Lunch Monitors at the Richland Elementary School for the 2026-27 school year at a cost of \$17,987.
- 7.17. The Board approved the annual renewal of the PaySchools Central and QuikLunch programs from i3 Education for the 2026-27 fiscal year at a cost of \$3,477.60, as outlined in the budget.
- 7.18. The Board approved the prices for a year-long athletics events season passes and individual admission prices, effective for the 2026-2027 school year as follows:
 - \$20 adult - All season pass (formerly only 16 admissions)
 - \$10 student - All season pass (formerly only 16 admissions)
 - Increase individual athletic event price to \$5 for adults and \$3 for students across all events.
 - (No charges for Cross Country, Track, Softball, Golf, and Baseball; any singular JV/JH events unless attached to a varsity event as done previously)

Note: Former prices were \$5 adults and \$3 students for Varsity Football, and all events where we charged admission were \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Punch card passes will no longer be provided, so they cannot be shared.

- 7.19. The Board approved the 2027 National Speaker Series agreement with Dr. Brad Johnson, at a total cost of \$10,000, to be paid for by attending districts, Richland School District, and sponsors.

- 7.20. The Board approved the increase of adult breakfast prices to \$3.05; adult lunch prices will remain the same at \$2.95
**Information: The price is set through a formula established by the Pennsylvania Department of Education School Nutrition Program. Adult meal prices for School Nutrition Program are not permitted to be subsidized by federal reimbursements.*
- 7.21. The Board approved the contract for print costs for copiers and desktop printers with Advanced Office Systems for the period of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. The contract includes an increase in print costs as noted in the attachments. The estimated total annual increase based on 2025-2026 usage is \$900.
- 7.22. The Board approved the annual agreement with Diamond Pass (a subsidiary of Sourcingree) to provide an online ticket-selling platform for the five home varsity football games during the 2026 season. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract.
- 7.23. The Board approved the purchase of LanSchool classroom management software for all district-wide computer lab devices (Qty. 154) for 1 year from CDWG, through the PEPPM purchasing contract (PEPPM 2026 Catalog Agreement 549622-101), at a cost of \$1,171.94 to be purchased from the Technology Supplies Budget.
- 7.24. The Board approved the 2026-2027 Mobile Electronic Device Repair & Replacement Fee Schedule as outlined in the attached fee schedule. Fees and available insurance will be shared with parents via email, the student handbooks, and on the website.
- 7.25. The Board approved the monthly rental increase for unit GB03 at the LocalStorage Oakridge from \$145 per month to \$163.85, effective September 1, 2026.
- 7.26. The Board approved an increase in pest control pricing with Plunkett's Pest Control. (2026-27 Pricing: High School - \$75.83, Elementary - \$50.55; 2025-26 Pricing: High School - \$72.91, Elementary - \$48.61)
- 7.27. The Board approved two (2) 1700-hour grant-funded contracts with AmeriCorps (Pennsylvania Mountain Service Corps) to staff two (2) AmeriCorps Service Members at the Richland Elementary School for the 2026-27 school year at an in-kind donation of \$13,974.53 per member. (These are not new positions and are in place of two teaching assistants with a savings to the general fund budget of \$37,272.)
- 7.28. The Board approved and authorized the Business Manager to complete all necessary budgetary transfers to close out the 2025-2026 school year. A listing of all transfers made will be presented to the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting upon completion of the close-out of the 2025-2026 school year.
- 7.29. The Board approved an agreement between Richland School District and Campus Match Enterprise Edition Pilot for virtual career choice support. Subject to review

and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Free Pilot Program)

- 7.30. The Board approved East Hills Power Wash for the biennial cleaning of the grandstands located on Herlinger field at a cost of \$3,000.00. (Pricing has remained the same for the past few years and has not increased.)
- 7.31. The Board approved Griffith & Petz Co. for the removal and replacement of a 5-ton York single-stage condenser unit at the High School, including recovery of all applicable refrigerant, removal and replacement of the DX coil and lineset, installation of all applicable A21 Sensor, and a 1-year parts and labor warranty at the lowest responsible quote of \$15,790.00.
- 7.32. The Board approved Liberty Fire Solutions to perform annual fire sprinkler testing throughout the district at a cost of \$1,835.00. (Elementary: \$445.00, Jr/Sr High: \$1,390.00) (Unfunded Mandate)
- 7.33. The Board accepted the services provided by Liberty Fire Solutions (formerly Johnstown Safety Services) for our Fire Extinguisher Sales/Service at a cost of \$704.70 (2025 - \$1,880.70.) This is due to the number of specific-sized cylinders needing maintenance versus others in specific years. Subject to review and approval by the District's Solicitor. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Solicitor's review and comment provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the contract. (Decrease of \$1,176.00 from 2025 due to cycle) (Unfunded Mandate)
- 7.34. The Board approved an Independent Educational Evaluation for a student at a total cost of \$6,300, as mandated by federal and state regulations, and at the request of the district.
- 7.35. The Board approved the motion to share costs equally (50/50) between the parents and district for driver's education, effective at the beginning of the 2026-27 school year. The current cost per student is \$395.

XI. PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Personnel Items 8.1 - 8.7.	
Mr. Beglin	X
Mr. Bodolosky	X - 1
Mr. Hudak	Absent
Mrs. Jordan	Absent
Dr. McCracken	Absent
Mrs. Miller	X
Mrs. Shaffer	X - 2
Mr. Sukenik	X - Abstained from Motion 8.4
Mr. Yanity	X

- 8.1. The Board approved the 2026-27 Substitute List, pending receipt of all materials.
- 8.2. The Board approved the 2026-27 Extra Pay for Extra Duty Salary Schedules (Athletics and Clubs Advisors), as attached, to include any retirees, as per PSERS guidelines and contract.
- 8.3. The Board approved the Leaves of Absence, attached as Exhibit "C".
- 8.4. The Board approved the following mentors for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years at a stipend of \$353 per year for a total of \$706. (Unfunded Mandate)
 - Maryann Korenoski as a mentor for Ashley Malfer
 - Edwarda Pruchnic as a mentor for Logan Bethmann
- 8.5. The Board employed Lauren Kozak as an Elementary Special Education Teacher, effective as of the 2026-27 school year, at an annual salary of \$53,181, reflecting Step 1, Bachelor's Column of the current Professional Employees' Contract, and as specified in Board Policy No. 404.1, Credit for Salary Placement.
- 8.6. The Board approved Kelly Smiach as RHS Key Club advisor at a salary to be determined by the 2026-27 Extra Pay for Extra Duty - Club Advisors Salary Schedule.
- 8.7. The Board approved the MOU for use of prior-year vacation days. Subject to review and approval by the District's Special Labor Counsel. The Administration is authorized to execute the Contract/Agreement after the Special Labor Counsel's review and comment, provided said comments or modifications do not change the intent, term, and economics of the MOU.

XII. NEW BUSINESS - LEGAL MATTERS (Mr. Hudak)

XIII. OTHER

XIV. FEDERAL PROGRAMS UPDATE

XV. ADJOURNMENT - 7:04 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting.	
Mr. Beglin	X
Mr. Bodolosky	X
Mr. Hudak	Absent
Mrs. Jordan	Absent
Dr. McCracken	Absent
Mrs. Miller	X
Mrs. Shaffer	X
Mr. Sukenik	X
Mr. Yanity	X

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Bodolosky, Secretary