

**SPECIAL MEETING
RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 27, 2020**

A Special Meeting of the Riverside Township Board of Education was held on Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. by Zoom.

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

Absent was: B. Greiner

Dr. Parker led the flag salute.

Mrs. Lennon announced that adequate notice of the meeting had been given to the public by notifying the Courier Post and the Burlington County Times and posting notice at the Riverside Town Hall on August 14, 2020.

The meeting was open to the public for agenda items only

Raelyn Hoffman- 323 Whittaker Street asked if students would be changing classrooms or teachers?

Ms. Ehrich explained that more details will be coming from the principals.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Student/Staff /School PPE:

Completed:

Screens for main office counters have been installed, 30 portable screens have arrived, Posters on safety and signage for social distancing have been posted, Ground markings for social distancing will be completed by Friday, Sanitation Stations have been installed in hallways and in classrooms without running water, Hydration stations due in on September 18th.

Waiting on:

Secretary/clerk desk screens (Due in on September 7th), Pre-k/Kindergarten table screens: If they don't come in before Sept. 3rd we can make it work. Largest Pre-K group is 9 and Kindergarten is 8. With five – six tables per room that leaves three students at a remote desk or other seating situation. i.e. portable desk, Chromebooks - 660: December 2020.

Athletics:

Districts may make their own decisions on whether to run fall sports. NJSIAA is making some adjustments to the indoor volleyball and gymnastics seasons and are prepared to modify the length of fall, winter and spring seasons. After speaking with Mr. Micucci (AD) if all Burlington County schools run fall programs (most schools have not made a decision yet) in the best case scenario we could potentially run a 10 game (field hockey/soccer), 6 game football, 4 meet in cross country season. The following districts we complete against have cancelled their seasons; BCIT. Fall high school coaching stipends: TOTAL = \$74,591. Athletics will be in a blackout period for the next two weeks through September 14th. We can make a decision tonight about sports for preparation purposes to give us the opportunity to create competition schedules. We will then have weeks to monitor the health crisis before appointing coaches and making a final decision. All county k-8 schools have cancelled middle school sports I recommend we do the same.

Mr. D'Agostino asked Mr. Micucci how many districts have committed to the season.

Mr. Mongon asked if Mr. Micucci planned to run just Varsity or both Varsity and JV. He also asked if there were enough athletes that want to play for the season.

Mr. McElroy stated that the district needs to get students back to normalcy and the first step is moving forward with a sports season.

On the motion by Mr. Mongon, seconded by Mr. McElroy, be it resolved that the Riverside Township Board of Education hereby approve directing the Athletic Director to schedule a Fall 2020 Varsity and JV sports program and not run a Middle School sports program.

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

Nay: 0

Carried

Acknowledgement of visitors-

Ms. Ehrich addressed all questions in the Zoom chat.

Carla Barbosa-109 Henry St asked if there will be more information for the remote students.

Adjournment

On the motion by Mrs. Pinho, seconded by Mr. Mongon, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Lennon

Business Administrator