

**MISSION STATEMENT • DISTRICT 96**

**The mission of the Riverside Public Schools is to provide for each student a challenging education which promotes academic excellence, encourages creativity, develops critical thinking, and fosters respect for self, community, and the environment.**

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
63 WOODSIDE ROAD  
RIVERSIDE, ILLINOIS

HAUSER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 7:30 PM

**AGENDA**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

- A. Call to Order. (7:30 PM)
- B. Roll Call.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance.
- D. Public Comment/Statement. (7:35 PM)  
Public comments are subject to the following provisions: Identify oneself by name and address and be brief. Ordinarily, comments shall be limited to 5 minutes. The Board President may shorten or lengthen an individual's opportunity to speak. If a number of individuals wish to address the Board on the same subject, the group is encouraged to appoint a spokesperson.
- E. Public Comment/Response. (7:50 PM)
- F. Status of FOIA Request(s) Responses. (8:00 PM)
- G. Announcements.
  - 1. Juanita Patton is named as Secretary Pro Temp to the Riverside District 96 Board of Education.
  - 2. Riverside District 96 2013-14 Budget is posted on District 96 website and a Public Hearing will be held on October 15, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.
- H. Minutes of Previous Meetings. (Voice Vote) (8:10 PM)
  - 1. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 13, 2013.
  - 2. Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting of July 13, 2013.
  - 3. Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of August 20, 2013.
  - 4. Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting of August 20, 2013.
- I. Presentations from the Floor. (8:15 PM)
  - 1. Tom Jakobsen - Cleint First Technology Infrastructure Assessment.
  - 2. Ramesh Nair - Summer 2013 Capital Projects Update. (8:30 PM)
- J. District Mission - Guiding Principles - Reports from Supt. and Staff. (8:40 PM)
  - 1. Academic and Professional Excellence.
  - 2. Financial and Operational Excellence.
  - 3. Rigorous Communication.

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- K. From School Board Committees. (9:00 PM)
1. Education.
  2. Finance.
  3. Policy.
  4. Board Liasons. (IASB; REEF; PTA/O; Discipline Code Committee)
- L. Riverside Education Council. ( 9:05 PM)
- M. Financial (9:10 PM)
1. Informational Items.
    - a. Financial Statements as of August 31, 2013.
    - b. 2013-14 Budget Questions & Discussion - Mr. Zack Zayed.
      - Executive Summary.
  2. Action Items.
    - a. Approval of General Invoices, Schedule A-736. (Roll Call Vote)
      - Payables Pre-List.
    - b. Employee Relations Expenditures in the Budget. (Roll Call Vote)
      - Recommendation from Administration on 2013-14 Employee Relations Catering Budget at the District and School Levels.
- N. Other Action Items. (9:45 PM)
1. Personnel Report. (Roll Call Vote)
    - Employment, Resignation, Performance or Dismissal of Employee(s).
      - a. 2013-14 Certified Staff Appointments.
      - b. 2013-14 Support Staff Appointments.
      - c. 2013-14 Support Staff Resignations.
      - d. Memorandum of Understanding.
      - e. FMLA Leave Request.
  2. Televising Board Meetings/Intergovernmental Agreement. (Roll Call Vote)
  3. Riverside-Brookfield Area Property Tax Appeal Cooperative. (Roll Call Vote)
  4. IMRF Earnings Resolution. (Roll Call Vote)
  5. IMRF - Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent. (Roll Call Vote)
  6. Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) School Recognition Applications. (Roll Call Vote)
  7. Resolution to Ratify Public Display and Notice of Tentative Budget and to Re-Establish Budget Hearing Date. (Roll Call Vote)
  8. 2nd Reading of the following Board Policies Currently Under Review. (Roll Call Vote)
    - a. Policy 2:150 Committees
    - b. Policy 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure
    - c. Policy 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
    - d. Policy 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited
- O. Discussion Items (New Business) (9:55 PM)
- P. Future Meeting Dates:
1. October 1, 2013 - Education Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.
  2. October 15, 2013:
    - 4:00 p.m. Rededication Ceremony Blythe Park Elementary School.

- 5:00 p.m. Rededication Ceremony Hollywood Elementary School.
- 6:00 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.
- 7:30 p.m. 2013-14 Budget Hearing and Regular Business Meeting in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.

3. November 4, 2013 - Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.

4. November 12, 2013 - Meeting with Jeff Cohn/IASB Follow-Up, 7:00 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.

5. November 18, 2013 - Policy Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School.

6. November 18, 2013 - Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School - (Tax Levy Vote).

Q. Enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing: (10:00 PM)

- the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity.

R. Action Items. (10:30 PM)

S. Other.

T. Adjournment. (10:35 PM)

## **Welcome to a District 96 Board Meeting**

### **What is the District 96 Board of Education?**

The Board of Education is the governing body of District 96. It consists of 7 district residents elected to serve the community. Each member volunteers for a four-year term.

### **What does the Board do?**

The Board of Education sets district policy, approves educational goals, authorizes district expenditures and hires the Superintendent.

Only the Board, acting as a whole and in its official capacity, is vested with the authority to make decisions on behalf of the district. Individual board members can only offer their personal opinions on issues and cannot, as individuals, make binding decisions on behalf of the Board.

### **What happens at a Regular Board Meeting?**

Regular Meetings are typically held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month (except July) at 7:30 p.m. Please visit the District's website ([www.district96.org](http://www.district96.org)) for a list of meeting dates and times.

Generally, at a Regular Meeting, the Superintendent and district staff update the Board about such topics as district finances, facilities and educational goals and initiatives. The Superintendent may also recommend that the Board take specific action on items it discusses. Typically, a Board vote on any item does not occur at the same meeting that the item is first discussed.

A Board vote on policies, programs and expenditures can only occur in an open session (in public). At some meetings, however, the Board may adjourn into closed session (apart from the public). Closed sessions are allowed by law due to the sensitive nature of some discussion topics. Board of Education Policy 2:200 itemizes a list of permissible closed session topics.

The Consent Agenda is a collection of items (e.g., Minutes, monthly payroll) that typically do not require discussion before Board action. In order to maintain transparency and openness in our meetings, all of our discussions need to take place in public. Adhering to the agenda provides the community with an opportunity to anticipate our discussions at the meeting. There is an opportunity for Public Comment during every Board Meeting. The Board uses this time to listen to community questions and concerns, but may not respond immediately to individual requests and cannot take formal action on non-agenda items. Comments pertaining to individual students or staff are not permitted.

### **How to contact the Board?**

You may send an email to [boardofed@district96.org](mailto:boardofed@district96.org) and your message will be forwarded to all members. You can also call individual members at the numbers listed in the district calendar.

### **For more information:**

Please visit <http://www.district96.org/school-board/> and <http://www.district96.org/school-board/board-policy-manual/>