

**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  
Wednesday, August 16, 2017, 6:30 PM

**AGENDA**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call. 6:30 p.m.
- B. Enter into Closed Session, if necessary, for the purpose of discussing:
- **The** purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5).
  - **Student** disciplinary cases. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9).
  - **The** placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(10).
- C. Return to Open Session. 7:00 p.m.
- D. Public Comment/Response.
- E. Changes/Additions to the Agenda.  
This item allows Board Members to add or modify the agenda at the beginning of the meeting. The Board President will need consensus to modify the agenda.
- F. Superintendent's Report:
1. Institute Day.
  2. Class Size and Enrollment.
- G. Approval of Consent Agenda.  
Utilization of a Consent Agenda should not limit the Board's ability to make District issues as transparent as possible. You have the right as an individual Board Member to request any item under the Consent Agenda to be moved from the Consent Agenda and placed under business for discussion and action. If you want to have a no-vote or abstention recorded on any item, this would be reason for removal of an item off the Consent Agenda.
- **I move that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.**
1. Minutes of the Previous Meetings.  
• **I move the minutes of the previous Board Meetings to be approved as presented.**
  2. Personnel Report.  
• **I move the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.**
  3. Payables Pre-List as of July 31, 2017.  
• **I move the Board of Education approve the July 31 Payables Pre-List as presented.**
  4. Payables Pre-List as of August 16, 2017.  
• **I move the Board of Education approve the August 16 Payables Pre-List as presented.**

*Public comments are subject to the following provisions: Identify oneself by name and address and be brief. Ordinarily, comments shall be limited to 3 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.*

5. IMRF Notice of Appointment of Authorized Agent.
    - **I move the Board of Education adopt the Resolution to appoint Mr. Robert Holmes as the designated agent for IMRF purposes.**
  6. Recycling of Surplus Technology Equipment.
- H. Riverside Education Council.
- I. Board Member Comments.

Facilitators of the Five Focus Groups should be prepared to give a brief report about their group.

    1. Committee Reports.
      - a. Education Committee - Ms. Klyber.
      - b. Finance Committee - Mr. Regan.
      - c. Policy Committee - Mr. Hunt.
  - J. Old Business.
    1. Class Size Waivers - **Action Item.**
      - **I move the Board of Education approve the class sizes for the 2017-18 school year and recommendation for two sections at Central School as presented.**
    2. Student Discipline Matter - **Action Item.**
      - **I move the Board of Education modify the Board's May 23, 2017 disciplinary decision regarding Student 2017-10 on the basis of terms discussed in Closed Session.**
  - K. New Business/Discussion.
    1. Summary of Architectural Projects for Consideration for District 96.
    2. Kasarda Study.
    3. Memorandum of Understanding with the Village of Riverside.
  - L. Public Comment/Response.
  - M. Future Meeting Dates.
    1. September 6, 2017 - Committee of the Whole Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Blythe Park Multi-Purpose Room.
    2. September 20, 2017 - Regular Business Meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Hauser Learning Resource Center **(The Board will enter into Closed Session, if necessary, and return to Open Session at 7:00 p.m.).**
    3. October 4, 2017 - Committee of the Whole Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Hauser Learning Resource Center.
      - ***Please note that this replaces Central School as the meeting location.***
    4. October 18, 2017 - Regular Business Meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Hauser Learning Resource Center **(The Board will enter into Closed Session, if necessary, and return to Open Session at 7:00 p.m.).**
  - N. Information Items.

These items are usually items that the Board appropriately makes public but generally, there is no comments made on these items. However, the Board should always feel free to ask questions or comment on any information items listed.

    1. D96 Absence Report.
    2. D96 Student Enrollment Report.
    3. D96 Substitute Usage Report.
    4. FOIA Requests.
    5. FOIA Response.
    6. Financial Statements.
    7. District 96 Credit Card Statement.

8. Budget Progress Statement.
  9. Legal Bills for the Month of July 2017.
  10. Moody's Investor Service Riverside District 96 Report.
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- P. Return to Open Session.
- Q. Adjournment.

## **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 Wednesday of every month (except July) at 6:30 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.

In order to maintain transparency and openness in our meetings, all of our discussions need to take place in public. We conduct our meetings in accordance to policy 2:220 (Board of Education Meeting Procedure). 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/>