

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, October 18, 2011, 7:30 PM

AGENDA

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

- A. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. From Superintendent and Staff.
 - 1. Capital Projects Update from Architect.
 - 2. Capital Projects Financing Update with Financial Advisor.
 - 3. Review Fall MAP Data.
 - 4. Review ISBE 2010-11 School Report Cards.
 - 5. Student Enrollment Update.
- C. From School Board Committees.
 - 1. Education.
 - 2. Finance.
 - 3. Policy.
 - 4. Board Liaisons. (IASB; REEF; PTA/O; Discipline Code Committee)
- D. Public Comment. (Will commence no later than 8:15 p.m.)
 - 1. Update, FOIA Request.
- E. Riverside Education Council.
- F. CONSENT AGENDA. (Roll Call Vote)
 - 1. Minutes of the Budget Hearing and Regular Business Meeting of September 20, 2011.
 - 2. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of September 22, 2011.
 - 3. Minutes of the Strategic Planning Workshop of September 24, 2011.
 - 4. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting (1:00 p.m.) of September 28, 2011.
 - 5. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m.) of September 28, 2011.
 - 6. Approve Financial Statement as of September 30, 2011.
 - 7. General Invoices, Schedule A-713.
 - 8. Personnel Report.
 - Appointment of Support Staff.
 - 9. Resignation of Support Staff, Schedule B-400.
 - 10. Approve, Extra Duty Assignment Salary Schedule 2011-12.
 - 11. Appointment of Financial Services Firm.

G. Old Business.

1. Resolution Providing for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$10,000,000 Debt Certificates for School Building Improvement Projects. (Roll Call Vote)

H. New Business.

1. Adoption of Fund Balance Policy. (Roll Call Vote)
2. 2012-13 School Calendar. (Discussion)
3. Formation of RIF Joint Committee - 2011 Illinois Education Reform. (Discussion)
4. Review Policy Updates from IASB PRESS Plus Issue 75. (Discussion)
5. Review Policy Updates from IASB PRESS Plus Issue 76. (Discussion)
6. Review Core Board Agenda Items and Short-Term Strategic Planning Initiatives Calendar. (Discussion)
7. School District Realignment and Consolidation Commission Update.

I. Future Meeting Dates.

1. October 20, 2011, Finance Committee Meeting/School Tour, 7:00 p.m., Learning Resource Center, Central Elementary School.
2. November 8, 2011, Education Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Learning Resource Center, Hauser Jr. High School.
3. November 10, 2011, Finance Committee Meeting/School Tour, 7:00 p.m., Learning Resource Center, Hauser Jr. High School.
4. November 15, 2011, Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Learning Resource Center, Hauser Jr. High School.
5. November 30, 2011, Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Learning Resource Center, Hauser Jr. High School.

J. Enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing.

- 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.

K. Adjournment

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.

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 held the 3rd Tuesday of every month (except July) at 7:30 p.m. Please see www.district96.org for each month's meeting's location. Committee meetings (Finance, Education, or Building) are usually held prior to the Regular Meeting.

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. 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 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/>