

**REAVIS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 220
6034 WEST 77th STREET, BURBANK, ILLINOIS 60459
COOK COUNTY**

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

**TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M.
LIBRARY**

MINUTES

1. OPEN MEETING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

Time: 6:02 p.m.

The following Board Members were physically present at the meeting:

Ted Arnold
James Brodinski
Steve Ficker
Russell McKinley, President
Ruben Moreno
Linda O'Dowd, Secretary

Absent: Andrea Creger, Vice President

Also Present: Daniel J. Riordan, Ed.D., Superintendent
Eric Novak, Chief School Business Official
Julie A. Schultz, Principal
Eileen M. Jastrzebowski, Student Services Director
Victoria Schwarz, Ed.D., Director of Support Services
Jacklyn Hanik, Humanities Division Chair
Students & Community Members

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2023.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

B. Closed Session Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 21, 2023.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

C. Special Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2023.

Motion: R. McKinley
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

D. Closed Session Minutes of Special Meeting of March 14, 2023.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no *Audience Participation* at this meeting.

4. COMMUNITY USE OF FACILITIES

- A. Approved request by *Inter Athletic Club* to use the outdoor soccer fields for youth soccer practice & games on Mondays and Wednesdays March 20, 2023 to May 31, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski

Dr. Riordan stated that this organization has used the facilities in the past and there are Burbank students on the team.

Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- B. Approved request by *Burbank Bulldogs FC* to use the soccer fields for practice and games April 3, 2023 to August 7, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. McKinley

Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd,
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- C. Approved request by *Liberty Junior High School* to use the track for practice and meets on April 13, 17, 25 and May 2, 9, 10, 2023.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

5. FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- A. Financial Statements dated February 28, 2023.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- B. Payment of Bills for the month of March, 2023.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- C. Approved SPM Architects, Inc. to be the architectural firm to represent Reavis High School for the design of the Field House (AIA Document B101-2017).

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker

Dr. Riordan stated SPM has been the architects for Reavis for nearly fifteen (15) years. This contract is specifically for the Field House which is new construction.

Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- D. Approved Sievert Electric, for the purchase of Daktronics, scoreboards and videoboard via Sourcewell contract #050819-DAK at a cost of \$427,227.50.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: R. Moreno

Dr. Riordan added that Sievert Electric works with Daktronics. All the current Reavis scoreboards throughout the campus are Daktronics. They are the leading manufacturing of scoreboards in the Midwest if not the country. This price includes 8 scoreboards (2 per court) and a video board (13 FT x 24 FT) to be installed on the east wall. Two of the courts will have shot clocks, since that is something coming in the future from IHSA. This price also includes shot clocks being installed in the main gym.

Dr. Riordan added that over the next few months there will be additional direct purchase items to be approved for the field house.

Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno,
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- E. Approved the audit of the Financial Statements for the period ending June 30, 2022 as presented by RSM US LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski

Mr. Novak began by distributing a handout for the Board to review. He stated that there were no issues with the audit that the delay in the completion was due to a workforce issue. Mr. Novak also shared that it was a clean audit there was no compliance findings. There is a surplus of approximately \$6.5 million across all of the funds. The Illinois State Board of Education financial designation score is a 3.6 which puts Reavis in the highest category.

Mr. Moreno asked if this type of delay in completing the audit is expected next year too. Mr. Novak replied that he would hope not but no way to tell at this point since it was a workforce issue. Stating that per the state, the audit is due in October. For the past few years, it has been completed in December. This is the first time it has been delayed until March. Dr. Riordan added that the state does allow file extensions. Ms. O'Dowd asked if it has any effect on Reavis. Mr. Novak replied it does not since the state does allow extensions.

Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- F. Approved the audit of the Student Activity Fund for the period ending June 30, 2022 as presented by RSM US LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno

Dr. Riordan explained that these accounts are outside of the normal budget so they are audited separately. Mr. Novak clarified that these are the accounts used by the athletic and club teams.

Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O’Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

6. TRAVEL

There were no Travel Requests

7. PERSONNEL

- A. Approved the resignation of Ms. Nuer Alshaikh, teacher, effective at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O’Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- B. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss probationary Title I Resource Center Coordinator, Ms. Claudia Kobylarczyk, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: L. O’Dowd
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O’Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- C. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss probationary Title I Writing Coach, Mr. Joseph LoRusso, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O’Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- D. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss part-time probationary Science Interventionist, Ms. Monica Manzke, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: L. O’Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- E. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss part-time probationary Math Interventionist, Ms. Michelle Fox, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- F. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss probationary CARE Coordinator, Ms. Linda Lewelling, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: J. Brodinski

Dr. Riordan clarified that these items are grant and part-time positions are required to be released each year. Most will return next year, once the grant money is secured.

Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- G. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss part-time probationary teacher, Ms. Kelly Miller, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- H. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss probationary teacher, Ms. Kelly Blaszczyk, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- I. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss part-time nurse, Ms. Melanie Dunigan, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- J. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Ms. Deborah Jett, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski
Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- K. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Ms. Patrycja Klocek, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- L. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Ms. Nia Butler, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- M. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Mr. Adam Jezl-Sikorski, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- N. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Ms. Julia Monarrez, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: L. O'Dowd
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- O. Approved resolution to non-renew and dismiss full time substitute, Mr. Andrez Moscato, at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- P. Approved the renewal of the following probationary teachers as full time for the 2023-2024 school year:

Ms. Jillian Atkenson	Mr. Michael Kovacs
Ms. Grace Campe	Mr. Patrick Kustok
Ms. Giselle Campos	Ms. Breanna Mask
Mr. Giuliano Catalano	Ms. Ciara Nelligan
Mr. Konrad Dziedzic	Ms. Bianca Santoyo
Ms. Maeve Fahey	Ms. Nour Sayes
Mr. Nicholas Gamino	Ms. Shanon Schroeder
Mr. Miller George	Mr. Gregory VonMoser
Ms. Jessica Glow	Ms. Alicia Walus
Mr. Michael Gonzalez	Mr. James Wensel
Ms. Amanie Judeh	Ms. Gina Winiecki
Ms. Allison Keller	Ms. Kimberly Zaucha

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- Q. Approved the hire of Ms. Kelly Miller, teacher, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno

Dr. Riordan stated that Ms. Miller has been a part-time teacher for the past several years. Ms. Miller will be full time next year. She will split her schedule between Music (2/5), Resource Center (1/5) and the Dean's office (2/5). She will be helping and learning in the Dean's office with the idea that the office will be going through a change in the next 1-2 years due to retirements. Dr. Riordan added it is a unique situation because it has not been done in the past.

Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- R. Approved the hire of Ms. Caley Vogt, teacher, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: R. McKinley
Second: S. Ficker

Dr. Riordan stated that Ms. Vogt is coming from Liberty Junior High. She was unable to attend the meeting tonight due to a coaching obligation. She will be filling one of the two math positions. Ms. Vogt started a bowling club at Liberty and has already talked of helping with bowling at Reavis next year. Dr. Riordan added that during the interview process credentials are looked at for teaching first but are always very interested in making sure that our teachers are involved with students after school as well.

Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None

Vote: 6-0

- S. Approved the hire Mr. Brendan Garrett, teacher, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: R. Moreno

Second: S. Ficker

Dr. Riordan began by introducing Mr. Garrett who was present at the meeting. Mr. Garrett is coming from Chicago Public High School, Hubbard. He will be teaching English and possibly coaching football and basketball. He has a number of years' experience in both sports.

The Board offered their congratulations to Mr. Garrett.

Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold J. Brodinski

Nay: None

Vote: 6-0

- T. Approved the hire Ms. Sarah Reynolds, teacher, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski

Second: S. Ficker

Dr. Riordan stated that Ms. Reynolds is joining Reavis from Addison Trail High School. Ms. Reynolds was instrumental in starting an EL Spanish program at Addison Trail. She will be filling the position of Bilingual teacher that has been highly needed for a number of years.

Ms. O'Dowd asked for clarification on what classes she will be teaching. Principal Schultz replied that she will be running the Newcomer Program which is made up of any students new to school or the country. EL and Bilingual Spanish I/II. Ms. Reynolds is currently pursuing coursework to secure her Bilingual endorsement. Adding that two people from her current school that were not on her reference list called to recommend her for the position at Reavis. Dr. Riordan clarified that Ms. Reynolds was released from her current school due to *Reduction In Force*. Meaning the number of teachers was reduced due to lower sections forecasted for the next school year.

Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold J. Brodinski, S. Ficker

Nay: None

Vote: 6-0

- U. Approved the resignation of the following sponsors effective at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year.

Mr. Dennis Brumirski	eSports Co-Sponsor
Mr. Jeffrey Mazzone	Scholastic Bowl Head Sponsor
Mr. Samuel Krueger	eSports Assistant
Ms. Kimberly Mendoza	Science Club

Motion: S. Ficker

Second: R. Moreno

Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley

Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- V. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Mr. Dennis Anastasopoulos, teacher, beginning February 24, 2023 through March 31, 2023.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- W. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Katrina Arnold, teacher, beginning September 25, 2023 through December 8, 2023.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- X. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Elizabeth Cavazos, teacher, beginning February 21, 2023 through May 30, 2023.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- Y. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Heather Illichman, teacher, beginning August 14, 2023 through November 7, 2023. Additionally, approved request for a leave of absence from November 8, 2023 through November 27, 2023.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

- Z. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Megan Madera, teacher, beginning August 14, 2023 through November 5, 2023.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None

Vote: 6-0

AA. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Mr. Jeffrey Mazzone, teacher, beginning March 13, 2023 through May 26, 2023.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: R. McKinley
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

BB. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Mr. Gregory VonMoser, teacher, tentatively beginning September 14, 2023 through October 12, 2023.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski
Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

CC. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Araceli Melero, receptionist, beginning April 18, 2023 through May 2, 2023.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

DD. Approved request for a leave of absence according to the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act for Ms. Abigail Sanchez, Assistant Food Service Manager, beginning March 20, 2023.

Dr. Riordan clarified that the reason for no return date is because Ms. Sanchez is out of the country and not sure the exact date she will be returning.

Motion: R. Moreno
Second: S. Ficker
Aye: J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

EE. Approved the hire of Ms. Pamela Ballard, cafeteria staff, effective TBD.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno

Dr. Riordan clarified the reason for the TBD in this item and the next is due to pending background checks and employment physicals that need to be completed prior to starting. Approving tonight will allow these individuals to begin as soon as those requirements are met.

Aye: S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

FF. Approved the hire of Ms. Iris Ramirez, cafeteria staff, effective TBD.

Motion: L. O'Dowd
Second: J. Brodinski
Aye: R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

8. OLD BUSINESS

- Approved second and final reading of updated School Board Policies, as presented.

Motion: S. Ficker
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

9. NEW BUSINESS

- Approved renewing membership in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: J. Brodinski
Second: L. O'Dowd
Aye: L. O'Dowd, T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

10. CATEGORICAL REPORTS

A. Student Reports – No Report

B. Administration –

Dr. Riordan, Superintendent

In Mr. Witting's, Student Activities Director, absence, Dr. Riordan reported that Drama has qualified for State. Group Interpretation took 1st at sectionals and Contest Play took 2nd this weekend at Richards High School. Both will perform this weekend for State. Also, the Reavis marching band is headed to New Orleans for Spring Break. Dr. Riordan will travel down to see the band perform then he will go to Florida to watch both the Reavis baseball

and softball teams play. Both teams will be playing in Fort Walton during the week of Spring Break. Ms. O'Dowd asked if softball has traveled before. Mr. Novak replied that they had planned to in 2020 but it was cancelled due to COVID.

Principal Schultz

The principal's office will be meeting with students in the principal's voice and twitter intern team.

The team will discuss three items:

1. Create a survey to garner student feedback to plan for next school year and our final activities of the school year.
2. Continue our culturally inclusive activities by fostering conversations and exploring student identity and personality.
3. Utilize the Twitter Interns professional development expertise from their session facilitated by Mr. Morack specifically the GIPPER social media platform to promote spring activities, academics, and athletics through social media--the student's preferred method of communication.

We will be sending a Parent Survey to seek feedback from our programming this school year including parent teacher conferences, college and career opportunities, and other parent programs.

Planning for the next school year has already begun. As we create our master schedule our focus will also include expanding our career opportunities.

Blended Emergency Services Training Course will be a new course offered to students to support student interest specifically in fire science and law enforcement. In addition, we will be prioritizing our student work programs by expanding our community and in school work opportunities. Our team will be focusing on this work in April and May.

Dr. Vicki Schwarz, Director of Support Services

Dr. Schwarz and Mr. Ficaro will be collaborating with St. Laurence High School on March 22, 2023 for the annual Timely and Meaningful Consultation Meeting. This is a requirement through the Individuals with Disabilities Act 2004. Reavis High School will consult with St. Laurence to identify, evaluate, and support students with disabilities.

Ms. Eileen Jastrzebowski, Director

This week Ms. Jastrzebowski and Ms. Breanna Mask, School Psychologist will present to all students during advisory Erin's Law. Erin Merryn is a young woman who grew up in the suburbs of Chicago and was the victim of sexual abuse. She turned her tragic event in her life into lobbying for Public Act 94-1147 which has become law. It requires all schools K-12 to present age-appropriate information on sexual abuse prevention and where to find help.

Exciting news from the counseling department, senior Jacob Warius has been accepted to Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) on a full tuition scholarship. Congratulations to Jacob and his counselor, Ms. O'Donnell for this outstanding opportunity.

Ms. Jacklyn Hanik, Humanities Division Chair

Humanities - We are just wrapping-up Seal of Biliteracy testing, but we've had our strongest year yet. As of today, we have 64 students who have earned the Seal of Biliteracy, one of which has earned the Seal in two languages: Polish and Spanish. Additionally, another 26 students have earned the Commendation toward Biliteracy. These awards can hold a lot of

value for students once they leave our halls, so it's exciting to see these numbers continue to trend upward.

We'll be hosting our annual Reading for Mastery Lit. Fest event on Thursday, May 4. This year, our Keynote Speaker will be Reavis alumni Anthony Gill. He is a podcast producer and digital content creator for NBC Sports Chicago; he's been one of our breakout session speakers for the last two years, and he's had great feedback from the students, so we're looking forward having him for our keynote.

Special Ed/ELL: On behalf of Mr. Ficaro - Ramadan begins tomorrow evening and we have several students and staff who will be observing, so Reavis has designated the R3 as a space for students to attend during lunch periods if they so choose.

Dr. Riordan, Superintendent

The Tech Wing and the Pool Locker Room are complete expect for some punch list items. One of the bigger items is that the diving boards need to be replaced. Those are on order. The pool will also need to be drained to repair chipping on the wall. It is not the cement wall but the skim coat that covers the cement. The top 3-4 inches needs repair. The stainless-steel railings are showing some surface rust. The contractor has been notified that they have an opportunity to clean them but if any rust resurfaces, they will need to be replaced. The last item is to correct some of the pitches to the drains. Some areas have experienced water puddling on the deck. Dr. Riordan stated whatever is needed to be done to be ready for the girls' swim season in the fall it will be done.

The Water Reclamation permit has been received for the Field House. So, the groundbreaking can be scheduled. The planning has already begun for temporary fencing and the trucks that will be needed to move the dirt. It is anticipated that there will be 20-30 loads a day removed. The trees along the fence line will be cleared for one of the two retention ponds. All of this is dependent on weather. Dr. Riordan anticipates the fencing will be put up next week. Staff and students were sent an email today regarding parking lot changes. Students will begin parking in the Drivers' Education lot.

Dr. Riordan concluded that a ribbon cutting ceremony will be scheduled. A project of this magnitude definitely warrants it. Currently, architects are working on updated renderings of the Field House. Once those are available, a message will be sent to the students, parents, staff and community to share the plans.

- C. Teachers Union – No Report
- D. Support Staff Union – No Report
- E. Maintenance Union – No Report
- F. Board Reports – No Report

11. CLOSED SESSION

Enter into Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2, to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, dismissal or evaluation of personnel, contract negotiations, possible or imminent litigation, resident delegate concern, student disciplinary issues, and held recommendations with any required action taken in open session.

No action necessary as the Board did not enter into *Closed Session*.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 8:07 p.m.
Motion: T. Arnold
Second: R. Moreno
Aye: T. Arnold, J. Brodinski, S. Ficker, R. McKinley, R. Moreno, L. O'Dowd
Nay: None
Vote: 6-0

Signed and approved this 18th day of April, 2023.

President

Secretary