

Three Rivers Community School District, St. Joseph County
Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, April 15, 2024

Approved Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Erin Nowak at 6:00 PM.

- Present: Julia Awe, Linda Baker, Melissa Bliss, Nichole Cover, Ross Daniels, John McDonough, Erin Nowak
- Absent: None
- Administration Present: Melissa Frye, Jen Graber, Brian Leonard, John Londono, Carrie Balk, Kerrie Bass, Jason Bingaman, Julie Bentley, Amanda Fahnestock, Greg Rutten, David Soderquist, Anthony Wolbert, Nick VanDenBrink,
- Pledge of Allegiance: President Nowak led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Member McDonough, with support from Member Cover, to approve the agenda as presented. After a roll call vote, 7-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.
Yea: Awe, Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak
Absent: None
- Public Comment: Public Comment was offered.
- Presentation/ Discussion: **Winter Sports Recognition**
The following students for their accomplishments during the Winter Sports Season:
GIRLS BOWLING (TEAM): Wolverine Conference Champions, D-3 Regional Champions, MHSAA D-3 Final Four: Stefi Alexander, Lillie Kerr, Carley Krauss (Individual State Qualifier), Jayna Larson (Individual State Qualifier, 2nd Team All-State), Tayler Mohney (Individual State Qualifier, 2nd Team All-State), Lexie Page, Laighnee Roll-Pike
WRESTLING (TEAM): Wolverine Conference Champions, D-2 District Champions, D-2 Regional Champions, MHSAA D-2 Final Eight: Joey Anglemeyer, Gaven Babcock, Frida Beltran, Josiah Dear, Jeremiah Detwiler (Individual State Qualifier, D-2 All-State), Braylon Faile (Individual State Qualifier), Evan Harper (Individual State Qualifier), Carter Hensley, Noah Howes, Clinton Kaiser, Ayden Keller (Individual State Qualifier), Connor Bleything, Josie Leon Magno, Jak Monroe, Ethan Moreland (Individual State Qualifier, D-2 All-State), Landon Moreland (Individual State Qualifier), Brody Morrill, Jackson Palmer, Kale Parr (Individual State Qualifier), Sam Reynolds, Jaxon Smith (Individual State Qualifier), Louis Smith (Individual State Qualifier), Alicia Thomas, Oliver Wygant, Robby Yoder
BOYS BOWLING (INDIVIDUAL): Devin Svoboda (Individual State Qualifier, 2nd Team All-State), Nick Allen (Individual State Qualifier)
Out of State Field Trip - Park Elementary
Amanda Fahnestock, Principal of Park Elementary, provided an overview of the proposed annual 4th grade trip to Four Winds Stadium in South Bend, IN on Wednesday, May 8, 2024.
Andrews Elementary Building Update
Greg Rutten, Principal of Andrews Elementary, provided the Board with an update on the school improvement plan for Andrews as well as the goals and strategies that will be used to hit the improvement milestones. Board questions and comments were answered and received.

Norton Elementary Building Update

Julie Bentley, Principal of Norton Elementary, provided the Board with an update on the school improvement plan for Norton as well as the goals and strategies that will be used to hit the improvement milestones. Board questions and comments were answered and received.

Three Rivers Middle School Building Update

Jason Bingaman, Principal of Three Rivers Middle School, provided the Board with an update on the school improvement plan for TRMS as well as project-based learning concepts and an update on the renovated classroom wing. Board questions and comments were answered and received.

Web Filtering & Transportation Center Camera Bid

John Londono, Director of Technology, provided the Board with an overview of the Internet Filtering Rules for Three Rivers Community Schools. These rules prevent unwanted traffic from reaching the network and provide a foundational layer of protection for the District. Board questions and comments were answered and received.

John also reviewed the Bid recommendation for the Transportation Center Camera RFP which will be voted on this evening. Board questions and comments were answered and received.

Policy Adoption: Motion by Member McDonough, with support from Member Baker, to adopt the following policies as presented:

- Policy 1240 - Evaluation of the Superintendent (Revised)
- Policy 2410 - Prohibition of Referral or Assistance (Rescinded)
- Policy 2414 - Reproductive Health and Family Planning (Revised)
- Policy 2418 - Sex Education (Revised)
- Policy 3220 - Professional Staff Evaluation (Technical Correction)
- Policy 6320 - Purchasing (Technical Correction)
- Policy 6321 - New School Construction, Renovation (Technical Correction)
- Policy 6325 - Procurement Federal Grants / Funds (Technical Correction)
- Policy 6350 - Prevailing Wage (New)
- Policy 6520 - Payroll Deductions (Revised)
- Policy 8390 - Animals on District Property (Technical Correction)
- Policy 8800 - Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances (Revised)

After a roll call vote, 6-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved.

Yea: Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak

Absent: Awe (Stepped out of the room)

Park Elementary Out of State Field Trip: Motion by Member McDonough, with support from Member Daniels, to approve the Park Elementary 4th Grade Class trip to Four Winds Stadium in South Bend, IN as presented.

After a roll call vote, 6-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved.

Yea: Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak

Absent: Awe (Stepped out of the room)

Bid Approval Motion by Member Baker, with support from Member Cover, to approve the

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- Transportation recommendation of the responsive bid as presented.
- Center Cameras: After a roll call vote, 6-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved.
Yea: Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak
Absent: Awe (Stepped out of the room)
- Consent Agenda: Motion by Member McDonough, with support from Member Cover, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. After a roll call vote, 7-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.
Yea: Awe, Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak
Absent: None
- The Consent Agenda consisted of:
1. Approval of the March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes and the April 1, 2024 Work Session Minutes.
 2. Approval of the Payroll Change Register for March dated April 11, 2024.
 3. Approval of the March 1 - March 31, 2024 Accounts Payable Check Register dated April 11, 2024 totaling \$1,290,557.12.
 4. Approval of the Bond Invoice Payment Report totaling \$309,846.64.
 5. Leave Request: It is recommended that the Board approve the non-FMLA leave as requested by staff.
 6. Employee Appointment: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following new employee appointment:
 - Erica Cytlak - Kindergarten Teacher, Hoppin Elementary
- Board Calendar: President Nowak reviewed upcoming events with the Board.
- Board Comment: Board comment was offered and received.
- Adjournment: Motion by Member McDonough, with support from Member Awe, to adjourn the meeting. After a roll call vote, 7-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.
Yea: Awe, Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak
Absent: None
The meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nichole Cover, Secretary Board of Education

Lorie Camino, Recording Secretary