



Three Rivers Community Schools
Board of Education Organizational Meeting
District Training Room
Monday, January 17, 2022
6:00 PM

Julia Awe

Kevin Hamilton

Linda Baker

Ben Karle

Melissa Bliss

Erin Nowak

Nichole Cover

Nikki Nash, Interim Superintendent

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Interim Superintendent, who will serve as presiding officer (Chair) until the election of the President, shall call the meeting to order.
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **REAFFIRMATION OF BOARD BYLAWS**
 - a. 0152 - OFFICERS
 - b. 0163 - PRESIDING OFFICER
 - c. 0171.1 - PRESIDENT
 - d. 0171.2 - VICE-PRESIDENT
 - e. 0171.3 - SECRETARY
 - f. 0171.4 - TREASURER
 - g. 0164.1 - REGULAR MEETINGS
 - h. 0164.2 - SPECIAL MEETINGS
 - i. 0164.3 - EMERGENCY MEETINGS
 - j. 0165.1 - REGULAR MEETINGS
 - k. 0165.2 - CHANGE OF REGULAR MEETINGS
 - l. 0165.3 - SPECIAL MEETINGS
 - m. 0165.4 - EMERGENCY MEETINGS
 - n. 0165.6 - CANCELLATION
 - o. 0166 - AGENDA
 - p. 0166.1 - CONSENT AGENDA
 - q. 0167.3 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETINGS
 - r. 0161 - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY
 - s. 0167.1 - VOTING
 - t. 0155 - COMMITTEES
 - u. 0144.1 - COMPENSATION
 - v. 0142.5 - VACANCIES

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- 6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** The Board shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer from its members. Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of the full Board.
- a. Robert's Rule of Order procedures for electing officers:
 - 1. The Chair must call for nominations.
 - 2. Nominations do not require a second.
 - 3. When there are two or more nominees for the office, the motion to close nominations requires a two-thirds vote.
 - 4. Nominations do not have to be by office individually; a nomination can be made for a slate of officers. If there were two nominations for a slate of officers, then it would require the vote of each office individually.
- 7. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS TO SUBCOMMITTEES:** Board Policy authorizes the President to appoint, as soon after the organizational meeting as practical, members of the Board standing committees where they shall serve a term of one year. Each Board committee shall have a chairperson who shall be appointed by the President.
- a. Standing Subcommittees: Facilities, Finance, Policy, Human Resources, Curriculum
 - b. Other Committees: MASB Labor Relations Network (Board President), SJCISD School Board Association (One Representative & One Alternate).
- 8. ADOPTION OF THE BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2022:** It is recommended the Board approve the 2022 meeting schedule as presented.

2022 - Board of Education Meeting Dates & Times

Meeting Date	Meeting Type	Meeting Time
February 7, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
February 21, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
March 7, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
March 21, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
April 18, 2022	Work Session & Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
May 2, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
May 16, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
June 6, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
June 20, 2022	Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting	6:00 PM
July 11, 2022	Work Session & Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.

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August 1, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
August 15, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
September 06, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
September 19, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
October 3, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
October 17, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
November 7, 2022	Work Session	6:00 P.M.
November 14, 2022	Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
December 5, 2022	Work Session & Regular Meeting	6:00 P.M.
January 16, 2023	Organizational Meeting	6:00 P.M.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

10. CLOSED SESSION: Closed Session as permitted under section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act for Student Discipline.

11. STUDENT DISCIPLINE:

- a. 60786

12. PRESENTATION: Plante Moran Cresa

13. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- a. Board Recognition Month Presentation
- b. Kallie Sears, Kindergarten Teacher at Park Elementary
- c. Paws with a Cause - Welcome Tanner and Austin
- d. COVID-19 Current Numbers Discussion
- e. E-Sports Presentation
- f. E-Rate District Filtering & Flat Panels
- g. Cedar Point Middle School Trip

14. ACTION ITEMS

a. **Consent Agenda**

- 1. Approval of the December 13, 2021 Special Meeting Work Session Minutes
- 2. Approval of the December 1 - December 31, 2021 Accounts Payable Check Register dated January 10, 2022 totaling \$493,611.64.

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3. Approval of the Payroll Change Register for December dated January 10, 2022.
4. Approval of the attached Bond related invoices totaling \$587,458.61
5. Employee Appointments: Approval of the following new employee appointments:
 - Kallie Sears - Kindergarten Teacher: Park Elementary
- b. **ESports Program:** It is recommended that the Board approve the creation of an ESports Program as presented.
- c. **E-Rate District Filtering:** It is recommended that the Board approve E-Rate District Filtering list as presented.
- d. **Cedar Point Middle School Trip:** It is recommended that the Board approve the Cedar Point Middle School trip as presented.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT

16. BOARD CALENDAR

- Now that they have been approved, meetings for 2022 will be posted online and at the Central Office per Board Bylaws. The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Education is a Work Session on Monday, February 7, 2022.
- February 8, 2022: St. Joseph County School Board Association Program (TRCS is hosting)

17. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

- a. Superintendent Search - Erin Nowak

18. ADJOURNMENT

As a community...

- ❖ We welcome a diverse range of perspectives and opinions and uphold the importance of civil debate.
- ❖ We fully support the free exchange of ideas and beliefs, as well as the expression of provocative or less popular ideas.
- ❖ We believe that only through the process of open and honest dialogue can we generate knowledge and deepen our mutual understanding.
- ❖ We believe that all members of the community have a responsibility to behave in a manner that does not harm others and shows respect for those with different opinions.
- ❖ Behavior that attacks, humiliates, belittles, or conveys personal hatred towards others diminishes our thriving and safe community environment.
- ❖ Words and actions matter.
- ❖ Everyone is asked to do their part in creating a healthy and positive community and a culture that truly values each person's uniqueness, experiences and perspectives.

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