

MINUTES

Regular Meeting February 9, 2026 7:00 PM TRI COUNTY SCHOOL BUILDING Brian Quackenbush, PRESIDENT

KIND DATE TIME WHERE HELD PRESIDING

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meeting. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the posted notice and a current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the posted notice. All proceeding of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public.

President Brian Quackenbush announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act was posted on the wall of the meeting room

Derrick Damrow: Present, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: Present, Brian Quackenbush: Present, Brian Scherling: Present, Annette Weise: Present.

1. Opening Procedures

Moved by Derrick Damrow, seconded by Brian Quackenbush,
To Move to excuse dutin to illness.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

1. Call Meeting to Order - "Open Meetings Act" & Publication Notification

2. Roll Call

Moved by Derrick Damrow, seconded by Brian Quackenbush,
To approve absence for Dustin Gronemeyer.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

3. Excuse Absent Members

4. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Recognition of Visitors/Communications from the Public

1. Public Comment

Public comment was made by M. Holtmeier and Megan

3. Reports and / or Guest Speakers

1. Staff and Student Presentations

2. Superintendent's Report

- Board Committees

- Negotiations (Koch, Scherling, Quackenbush)
- American Civics (Damrow, Gronemeyer, Weise)
- Building & Grounds (Damrow, Koch, Quackenbush)
- Safety (Scherling, Gronemeyer)

- Celebrations & Upcoming Considerations
 - Budget Update
3. Elementary Principal's Report
 4. Secondary Principal's Report
 5. Athletic / Activities Director Report
4. Approve Action Items as presented:
- Minutes of the previous Regular Meeting,
 - Claims for Disbursement, and
 - Financial Statements.

Moved by Derrick Damrow, seconded by Brian Scherling,
To approve action items as presented.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
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5. New Business:

1. Discuss boys golf, Title IX, and athletic program expansion
2. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding the purchase and installation of a greenhouse

Moved by Tom Koch, seconded by Brian Quackenbush,
To approve the purchase of a DeCloet greenhosue and the bid for a foundation by Trauenecht as presented.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

3. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding the approval of the 2026-2027 master calendar

Moved by Tom Koch, seconded by Brian Scherling,
To approve the 2026-2027 master calendar as presented.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

4. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding membership renewal with NASB

Moved by Derrick Damrow, seconded by Brian Scherling,
To renew membership with NASB as presented.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

5. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding CTE agriculture and industrial arts program staffing

Moved by Tom Koch, seconded by Brian Quackenbush,
To Motion to authorize the superintendent to hire two Ag Teachers.
Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes,
Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

6. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding the appointment of a special education director

7. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding the employment of Mrs. Paula Heinz as a full-time teacher beginning in school year 2026-2027.

Moved by Derrick Damrow, seconded by Tom Koch,

To approve the teaching employment contract for Mrs. Paula Heinz as a full time teacher beginning in school year 2026-2027 as presented.

Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes,
Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

8. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding approval of the Superintendent Brian Rottinghaus' spring evaluation.

Moved by Brian Quackenbush, seconded by Brian Scherling,

To approving Superintendent Brian Rottinghaus' spring evaluation as presented.

Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes,
Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
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9. Discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding policy review and updates.

Moved by Brian Scherling, seconded by Tom Koch,

To approve the review and update to policies as presented: For review, 4045 Milk Expression, 4050 Overtime and Compensatory Time, and 6060 Special Education Procedures; For review and edit, 4044 Political Activity by Staff Members, 4046 Internet Searches Regarding Potential Employees, 6010 Special Education Evaluation and Verification, 6040 Prekindergarten (Preschool or Early Childhood) Program; and For addition, 4048 Assessment Administration and Security.

Motion Carried.

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Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
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6. Adjournment

Moved by Tom Koch, seconded by Brian Quackenbush,

To To adjourn the regular meeting 9:21 p.m.

Motion Carried.

Derrick Damrow: yes, Dustin Gronemeyer: Absent, Tom Koch: yes, Brian Quackenbush: yes, Brian Scherling: yes, Annette Weise: yes
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Annette Weise, Secretary
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