

Three Rivers Community School District, St. Joseph County
Minutes of the Board of Education Special Meeting
January 29, 2024

Approved Minutes

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

Present: Julia Awe, Linda Baker, Melissa Bliss, Nichole Cover, Ross Daniels, Erin Nowak

Absent: None

Administration Present: Nikki Nash, Melissa Frye, Jen Graber, John Londono, Amanda Fahnestock, Julie Bentley, David Soderquist

Pledge of Allegiance: President Nowak led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Member Awe, with support from Member Cover, to approve the agenda as presented. After a roll call vote, 6-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.

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

Absent: None

Public Comment: Public Comment was offered and received

Board Candidate Interviews: The following candidates were interviewed for the board vacancy:

- Amanda Allen
- Tiffany Larson
- John McDonough
- Anthony Meyaard
- Sam Smallcombe

Each Board Member announced their top two (2) candidates; based on the scoring criteria the candidate receiving the top score was John McDonough.

	Allen	Larson	McDonough	Meyaard	Smallcombe
Awe			2	1	
Baker		2	1		
Bliss		1			2
Cover			2		1
Daniels		1			2
Nowak		1	2		
Totals		5	7	1	5

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- Board Vacancy Appointment: Motion by Member Cover, with support from Member Bliss, to appoint John McDonough to the Three Rivers Community Schools Board of Education. After a roll call vote, 6-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.
- Yea: Awe, Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, Nowak
Absent: None
- Oath of Office: President Nowak swore in John McDonough as a member of the Board of Education with a term expiring on December 31, 2024.
- Board Calendar: President Nowak discussed upcoming events.
- Board Comment: Board comment was offered and received.
- Adjournment: Motion by Member Awe, with support from Member Bliss, to adjourn the meeting. After a roll call vote, 7-0, President Nowak declared the motion passed unanimously.
- Yea: Awe, Baker, Bliss, Cover, Daniels, McDonough, Nowak
Absent: None
- The meeting adjourned at 7:01PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nichole Cover, Secretary Board of Education

Lorie Camino, Recording Secretary