

Three Rivers Community School District, St. Joseph County
Minutes of the Board of Education Work Session
Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Approved Minutes

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

Present: Julia Awe, Linda Baker, Erin Nowak, Elizabeth Ogreen

Absent: Amanda Allen, Ross Daniels, Melissa Patch

Administration Present: Nikki Nash, Melissa Frye, Jen Graber, Brian Leonard, Mandi Zaborowski, Greg Ruten

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 Baker, to approve the agenda as presented. After a roll call vote, 4-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.

Yea: Awe, Baker, Nowak, Ogreen
Absent: Allen, Daniels, Patch

Public Comment: Public Comment was offered.

Discussions/
Presentations: **Bond Update**

Chris Mankowski of Plante Moran provided the Board with a Bond Update. Board questions and comments were offered and received.

MASB 2025 Delegate Assembly Confirmation of Appointed Delegates and Alternates

Superintendent Nash reminded the Board of the upcoming 2025 MASB Delegate Assembly in Acme, MI on Thursday, October 23, 2025. The assigned District Delegates for MASB (Member Daniels and Member Baker) were confirmed at the January 2025 Organizational Meeting. If they are unable to attend, they will inform the Superintendent's Office and the alternates will be asked to attend (Member Awe or Member Patch).

Policy Update: Superintendent Nash provided the Board with a review of the Special Policy Update for po5460 - GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS. The update only includes additional legal language regarding the FAFSA Challenge as requested by NEOLA clients, therefore a second read will not be needed based upon the revised Bylaw 0131.1 - Bylaws and Policies adopted in the Spring of 2025. Board questions and comments followed.

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

- po5460 - GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (Mandated Language Update Only)

After a roll call vote, 4-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.

Yea: Awe, Baker, Nowak, Ogreen
Absent: Allen, Daniels, Patch

Three Rivers Community School District, St. Joseph County
Minutes of the Board of Education Work Session
Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Approved Minutes

Board Calendar: President Nowak reviewed upcoming events with the Board.

Board Comment: Board comment was offered and received.

Adjournment: Motion by Member Awe, with support from Member Baker, to adjourn the meeting. After a roll call vote, 4-0, President Nowak declared the motion as approved unanimously.

Yea: Awe, Baker, Nowak, Ogreen
Absent: Allen, Daniels, Patch

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Patch, Secretary Board of Education

Lorie Camino, Recording Secretary