



Three Rivers Community Schools  
Board of Education Work Session & Regular Meeting  
District Training Room  
Monday, July 14, 2025  
6:00 PM

Erin Nowak, President  
Linda Baker, Vice President  
Nichole Cover, Secretary  
Julia Awe, Treasurer

Amanda Allen, Trustee  
Ross Daniels, Trustee  
Melissa Patch, Trustee  
Nikki Nash, Superintendent

**AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
6. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**
  - 2025-2026 Elementary Update
7. **PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION**
  - a. Audio Enhancement Project - REMC Bid: John Londono, Director of Technology
  - b. Superintendent Mid-Year Review: Erin Nowak, Board President
8. **ACTION ITEMS**
  - a. **Designation of Depositories for School Funds & Check Signatures:** Section 380.1221 of the Revised School Code requires the Board to designate the financial institutions in which the funds of the school district shall be deposited.
    1. It is recommended the Board approve Century Bank and Trust, Horizon Bank, Michigan Municipal Bond Authority, and Michigan Liquid Asset Fund as the bank depositories and authorize signatures to include the president and treasurer of the Board of Education on all accounts.
    2. Other accounts will have as signatories the superintendent and up to three designees of the superintendent. The current listing of the depository accounts are outlined below.

Bank Name	Account Description	Signers
Horizon	General Fund	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Student Activities	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Food Service	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Debt Fund	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Scholarships	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business

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Horizon	Bond Series I	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Bond Series II	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Horizon	Bond Series III	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Century Bank & Trust	Bond Series I	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Century Bank & Trust	Bond Series II	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
Century Bank & Trust	Bond Series III	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business
MILAF	General Fund	Superintendent, Director of Finance & Business

- b. **Resolution Closing the Three Rivers Recreation Commission Depository Account:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution to close the Three Rivers Recreation Commission depository account held at Horizon Bank and transfer the remaining funds in the amount of \$17,708.71 to the General Fund as provided.
- c. **Resolution Transferring Funds from the Closed Radke Trust Account:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution to transfer the full amount of \$1,029,510.52 from the closed Radke Trust Account held in the General Fund to the Three Rivers Community Schools MILAF Investment Account ending in 3019 as provided.
- d. **Designation of Banks for Investments:**
1. It is recommended that the Board authorizes the Superintendent and/or Director of Finance & Business to make investments of available monies from all funds of the District in: bonds, bills, or notes of the United States; obligations, the principal and interest of which are fully guaranteed by the United States; or obligations of the State; certificates of deposit issued by financial institutions organized and authorized to operate in this state; commercial paper rated prime or prime 2 at the time of purchase and maturing not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; securities issued or guaranteed by agencies or instrumentalities of the United States government; United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptances issued by a bank that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; mutual funds composed entirely of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a school district; investment pools, as authorized by the Surplus Funds Investment Pool Act, Act. No 367 of the Public Acts of 1982, being sections 129.11 to 129.118 of the Michigan Compiled Laws composed entirely of instruments that are legal for direct investment by a school district.
  2. The purpose of the investments is to maximize the return on the District's excess cash balances consistent with safety of those monies and with the desired liquidity of the investments.
  3. Investments in U.S. Treasury securities and those other securities completely guaranteed by the Treasury as payment of principal and interest may be purchased in any dollar amount or up to 100% of the available.
  4. The Director of Finance & Business is authorized to contract with a depository for the operations of a cash management system under the following conditions: the contract is in writing; the

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investments are made in accordance with State Law with maturities not to exceed two (2) years; the contract is awarded using the District bidding procedure.

5. An obligation purchased in accordance with Section 380.1223(2), when received by the Director of Finance & Business, shall be deposited with the bank or trust company having the deposit of the money of the particular fund from which the obligation was purchased.
  6. Money in several funds of the School District shall not be commingled for the purpose of making an investment authorized by Section 380.1223. The Board, however; may establish and maintain one common debt retirement fund for bond issues of like character.
  7. Earnings on an investment shall become a part of the fund from which the investment was made.
  8. Funds of the Board may be withdrawn from approved public depositories or negotiable instruments owned by the Board and sold before maturity at the sole discretion of the Superintendent acting within the law.
- e. **Designation of Electronic Transfer Officer (ETO):** It is recommended that the Director of Finance & Business be designated as the Electronic Transfer Officer (ETO) consistent with Policy 6144 - Investments.
  - f. **Approval of Annual Retainer Contracts:** It is recommended that Thrun Law Firm, P.C. be retained to handle all personnel, legal negotiations, and contractual matters.
  - g. **Approval of District Auditors:** It is recommended that the Board appoint Gabridge & Company to do the District's 2024-25 annual audit.
  - h. **Designation of Person for Posting Public Notices of Meetings:** It is recommended that the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education be designated to post the public notices of the Board Meetings.
  - i. **Appointment of Recording Secretary:** It is recommended that the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education be designated as the Board of Education Recording Secretary.
  - j. **Audio Enhancement Project - REMC Bid:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Audio Enhancement Project REMC Bid as presented.
  - k. **Consent Agenda**
    1. Approval of the June 16, 2025 Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting Minutes.
    2. Approval of the Payroll Change Register for June 2025.
    3. Approval of the June 1 - June 30, 2025 Accounts Payable Check Register totaling \$1,475,246.43.
    4. Approval of Bond Invoice Payment Report totaling \$569,793.15.
    5. Leave Request: It is recommended that the Board approve the non-FMLA leave as requested by staff.

## 9. BOARD CALENDAR

- August 4, 2025: Board of Education Work Session
- August 18, 2025: Board of Education Regular Meeting
- August 19, 2025: 1st Day of School; ½ day for students and staff

## 10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

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## 11. 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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