

BOT Meeting Wednesday December 17, 2025 Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Jim Sander, Thomas Gorrell, Ted Francavilla, Christopher Brignola, Robert Ansbro

Administrators in attendance: Norma Hurwitz, Eddie Kubina

Not in Attendance: Lucas Doe, Sean Blackwell
Meeting Called to Order by Jim Sander 6:33 pm

I. Approval of Minutes

Robert motions to approve the minutes, Ted seconds, all in favor

II. Current Events and Six Week Assessments

The school is doing nicely. We hired a good physical education teacher and he has a background in film, so he is able to record our performances. We also have hired a very good music teacher. We have a choir with about 40 students and she chooses songs that are not easy to perform and she gets the students to do really well. They are good additions to the school. We had a performance today and the middle school students joined the elementary school students. The K-2 students were also superb, they were energetic and it was really nice to see them perform.

Assessment scores are looking good. We are seeing improvement in mostly every subject. Math is still an area that needs improvement. I feel if we break things down and give students more opportunities to work problems out it will be beneficial. Teachers are working hard, but they are enjoying the work they are doing. There is a good overall feeling in the school. Things are positive right now.

We have enough manipulatives for students to use in math. We ordered a lot last year to fill a need and this year we have enough for each classroom. K-2 teachers are doing a good job of helping students to understand concepts in math.

The plaques have been put up on the outside of the building and in front of the gym. They were very well done. The quality is very good.

III. Bloomberg Grant

We were given the opportunity to apply for a grant. We are looking to improve our STEM and music programs. We would like to have a teacher who will be able to teach students all different instruments. Our current music teacher has connections and would be able to help us find someone. There is a company called ETM, Education Through Music. It was suggested by Chris and seems like a good option. It will take a few years to get the program going.

IV. Committee Reports

Building: Nothing to report.

Finance: Ted made the point that not too much operational money should be in an account that is not fully insured.

Education: IXL Science skills and practice is good.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 pm.