

Park Rapids Area School Board
Meeting Minutes
Monday September 16th, 2024
6:00 PM
Park Rapids School Board Room

Chairperson Safratowich called the Meeting to order. Members present and order to vote was Morgan, Diekmann, Hoyt, Pike, Kocka via facetime & Safratowich. Principals Jeff Johnson & Mike LeMeir were present, as well as Business Manager Kent Fritze and Superintendent Lance Bagstad along with staff and community members.

RECITED the Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVED Agenda and Addendums as presented. Morgan/Diekmann

HEARD Student of the Month September – Aracely Martina Quixan Gutierrez

HEARD Gymnastics Update

HEARD Band Trip Presentation

HEARD PProject309 Update

APPROVED Consent Items as follows: Morgan/Pike

- a. Approve payments Presented for September 2024
- b. Approve Minutes of the September 3rd, 2024 Working Board Meeting
- c. Approve Assurance of Compliance of State and Federal Laws for 2024-2025 School Year
- d. Approve Resignation – Nichole Weston, Co - assistant Speech Coach
- e. Approve Resignation – Chris Kirchner, Esports Coach
- f. Approve Resignation- Darin Hafner, Bus Driver
- g. Approve Resignation – Rachel Hogan, Paraprofessional
- h. Approve New Hire – Taylor Tiffany, Paraprofessional
- i. Approve New Hire – Scott Bedell, Bus Driver
- j. Approve Volunteer – Bryan Hirt, Girls Swimming coach
- k. Approve Fall Lane Changes – See Attached

HEARD Monthly Superintendent Report- We are settling into the facility. It has been a very positive start in the new facilities. We need to look at students' needs and make adjustments. We are still looking for staff in the district.

HEARD Monthly Business Manager Report- The audit is ongoing, and we are keeping them busy. We are looking at the preliminary number for the levy and we are hoping to certify at the maximum. We will finalize this in December

HEARD Monthly Principals' Report

Johnson– We are being flexible with our passing time. We are continuing to work on the construction in the district. We haven't seen a lot of cell phones and that is going well. We are happy to see everyone is participating and developing leaders in each grade level. We are working with Jill and Sue to work through the literacy pieces. Homecoming next week.

LeMier – We adjusted the 7th and 8th graders to starting school at 8:15 and that is going very well for them. 5th and 6th grade are getting into the swing of the elementary model. We have seen a significant decrease to behaviors. We are working through the disruptions but that seems to be

going well. We are doing some OLLA training and working on our staff development day next week. We have MR. Brown coming to speak to our student on October 1st. Our staff is very impressive, and they work very hard. Looking to explore some Title 3 funds with our ELL population growing.

HEARD Monthly Community Education Report – Fall brochure is out and we are excited about those as well as the panther store. Century adventures have an average of 100 students attending daily. We have several trips coming up and we are happy to see all of the lifelong learning happening in community ed.

HEARD Monthly Special Education Directors Report – We are looking at what is happening in our buildings. We are still working on staffing and getting things together for our building folks.

HEARD Monthly Activities Report – We are nearing mid-season for fall sports. We are battling with the teams we are playing in the heart of the lakes conference. Homecoming next week with plenty of home events happening during that time.

HEARD Monthly Facilities Director report – We are moving furniture to the high school as well as getting things moved around at century school. We are working hard to get contractors to come in and get things wrapped with the doors.

HEARD Monthly Director of Curriculum and Instruction Report – PRAVA students are adapting well, and things are going great. We are still working with Tara Brown to help staff and parents. We are working on more of the literacy pieces and we are trying to get this curriculum into the hands of our students.

HEARD Monthly Transportation Directors Report – The first two weeks went well. Our team continues to work toward a great year.

HEARD New Business:

- a. Approve 2024 payable 2025 Levy at MAXIMUM Diekmann/Pike

REVIEWED Enrollment

DONATIONS Received and Appreciated

<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT/ITEM</u>
Park Rapids School District	Arvig School Partnership Program	\$4220.00
Park Rapids School District	CHI St. Joseph	\$1,000/Tara Brown

DISCUSSED setting up a finance and facility committee meeting

ADJOURN at 7:01pm Morgan/Pike