

GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE SCHOOL BOARD
GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #140
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 17, 2024

The School Board of Grand Forks Air Force Base Public School District No. 140 held a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at Nathan F. Twining Elementary and Middle School with President Michelle Shepperd presiding.

Board Members Present:

Branden Shepperd, Michelle Shepperd, Terry R. Snider, and Stanley E. Cornelius, Jr.

Board Members Absent:

Arielle Neumann.

Others Present:

Catherine Gillach, Associate Superintendent of Secondary Education; Brandon Baumbach, Business Manager; Matt Bakke, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; GF School Board Member Amber Flynn via phone; and Jonathan Ellwein, Buildings and Grounds Director.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda.

It was moved by Snider and seconded by B. Shepperd to approve the agenda as written. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Absent: Neumann.

Approval of Minutes.

It was moved by Snider and seconded by B. Shepperd to approve the November 25, 2024, minutes as written. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Absent: Neumann.

Public Comments. None.

Monthly Enrollment Report.

Bakke reported that as of November 31, 2024, there were 220 students in grades K-5 and 73 in grades 6-8 at Twining School, for a combined total of 293 students. Grand Forks Central High School had 56 students, and Red River High School had 1 student from the Air Base. Community High School did not have any students from the Air Base enrolled.

Update on Design Development Phase of New Twining School.

Buildings & Grounds Director Jonathan Ellwein and Architect Andrew Budke of JLG Architects presented final design development drawings and prices. Conversations around landscaping, classroom size,

educational commons spaces, and storage were had. Associated budget estimates were discussed.

Resignation of School Board Member.

Baumbach presented the resignation letter submitted by Arielle Neumann, effective December 31, 2024.

Board Member Selection Process Due to Mid-Term Vacancy.

Baumbach presented the process to fill the mid-term vacancy due to Arielle Neumann's resignation. The district will solicit applications to fill the vacancy until January 15, 2025, for board consideration on January 21.

Announcements. None.

Board Request for Future Consideration. None.

Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

APPROVED _____
(Date)

Michelle Shepperd, President

Brandon Baumbach, Business Manager