



Approval Date: November 18, 2024

**FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2024 BOARD
ROOM – 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

This meeting of the Board of Education, in public, is for conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated within the agenda.

Please be informed that the **Board of Education meeting scheduled for October 21, 2024**, has been changed from **7:00 PM to 6:00 PM**. This adjustment is to ensure that board members, staff, and attendees have the opportunity to support and attend the **FHS Chamber Choir, Fenntastics, and FMS Choir performance**, which begins at **7:00 PM**.

A. MEETING OPENING

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Toby Hutchins at 6:03 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call

Mr. Toby Hutchins	Present	Mr. Manuel Sanchez	Present
Mrs. Juliet Michele	Present	Mr. Ross Thiele	Present
Mrs. Natalie Bosby	Present	Mr. Paul Hapke	Absent
Mrs. Angie Pena-Smith	Present		

4. Additions to the Agenda

None

B. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Minutes for September 16, 2024, Regular Meeting
2. Treasurer's Report for September 2024
3. Summary of Bills for September 2024
4. Accept retirement of Terri DeRoo

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

D. STUDENT OF THE MONTH PRESENTATION (Sept – June)

- Fennville Elementary School – Estefania Lara Medrano by Mrs. Ayotte
- Fennville Middle School – Jonathan Bobadilla by Mr. Armstrong
- Fennville Alternative High School – Ryleigh Hoffman by Mrs. Scovill
- Fennville High School – Jesireth Perales Echavarria by Mr. Lombard

E. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Teaching and Learning Report – Mrs. Jessie Gierucki
 - Provided an update on the all-staff professional development held October 14, 2024, as well as Strategic Plan, including details from the first meeting of the Strategic Plan District Leadership Team.
2. Operational Report – Mr. Dan Rastall
 - A new school bus was purchased; bus #9 successfully passed the state inspection and is now in operation.
 - Night Locks have been installed on all classroom doors.
 - The food service line installation was completed last week.
 - A pre-bid meeting with FPS, the City Commission, and GMB scheduled tomorrow to discuss outdoor athletic courts.
 - John Solomon completed the EGLE Filter First Grant Application.
3. Superintendent Report – Dr. Doug Greer
 - Expressed pride in the data showing significant academic gains at the elementary level, presenting an opportunity to apply for the National Blue-Ribbon School Program.
 - Provided an update on student count and funding.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. COURSE LIST APPROVAL

Motion by Thiele, supported by Michele, that the Board of Education approve the courses and curriculum as presented.

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF DATE FOR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Motion by Thiele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education establish the date of January 20, 2025, at 6 p.m. as the date and time for the Board of Education Organizational Meeting.

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

3. LONG TERM SUSPENSION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT

Motion by Michele, supported by Pena-Smith, that the Board of Education suspend the middle school student for 90 days. Note: The parents and student may request a closed session hearing to discuss the recommendation before the Board takes action. If a closed hearing is requested, a roll call vote will be required.

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION*

None

H. MEETING CLOSING

1. Upcoming meetings
 - Work Session November 11, 2024, at 6 p.m.
 - Special Meeting Joint Meeting with the Board of Education and City Commission on November 18, 2024, at 6 p.m.
2. Comments from the Board Table
 - Toby Hutchins recommended that the district apply for the National Blue-

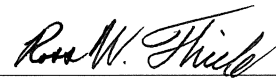
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Ribbon School Program due to the overall progress in both elementary and high school.

3. Adjournment

Motion by Michele, supported by Pena-Smith to adjourn. (6:48 p.m.)

Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ross W. Thiele", written in dark ink.

Ross Thiele
Board Secretary

