



A Message from the D217 Board of Education President

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To the Argo Community,

As the newly elected President of the School Board, I want to speak directly to our students, families, staff, and residents. Over the past year, our district has been faced with a serious issue involving the possible misuse of school funds by our superintendent. While the full extent of the situation is still being reviewed and our review will look back several years, the possibility of misconduct has understandably caused frustration, concern, and disappointment throughout our community.

I want to personally acknowledge those feelings. You deserve transparency, accountability, and leadership you can trust. On behalf of the entire board, I offer a sincere apology for the breakdown in oversight that may have allowed this to happen.

As your new president, I am fully committed to resolving this matter with honesty, integrity, and action. To that end, we are taking the following immediate steps, and we want to be clear: all individuals found to be involved in any wrongdoing will be held fully accountable.

To that end, we are taking the following immediate steps:

1. We have engaged Meaden & Moore, an independent, third-party auditing firm, to conduct a full financial review of the district's records, including all credit card usage. Meaden & Moore is a respected, global firm known for its professionalism, thoroughness, and positive reputation. [Accounting & Business Consulting Services | Meaden & Moore](#).
2. We are in the process of retaining an outside law firm to guide the legal aspects of this matter and assist in implementing stronger safeguards to ensure this does not happen again.

These steps mark the beginning of a new chapter. My goal is to restore faith in the board's leadership, protect our community's investment in education, and ensure our district operates with the highest standards.

I welcome your thoughts, concerns, and questions. I will make every effort to ensure your emails to the board are answered in a reasonable time frame. If you have not heard from someone within a week, please email me directly at jgrenier@argohs.net. Please note that while the school board is a volunteer position and I work a full-time job, I will make every effort to respond to emails in the evenings.

Additionally, any emails sent to me will be shared with the full school board to ensure that all board members have the same information and can fulfill their responsibilities with complete transparency.

We will continue to provide updates as this process moves forward. Thank you for your continued involvement — together, we can move forward with accountability, transparency, and renewed purpose.