Park Rapids Area School Board
Meeting Minutes
Monday October 20th, 2025
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 - Absent, Pike, Kocka & Safratowich. Principals Jeff Johnson & Mike LeMeir were present, as were 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/Kocka

HEARD Presentation Student of the Month for October – Grace Etter

APPROVED Consent Items as follows: Morgan/Pike

a. Approve payments Presented for October 2025
b. Approve Minutes of the October 6th, 2025, Working Board Meeting
c. Approve Education Minnesota – Park Rapids Seniority List for 2025-26 School Year
d. Approve AFSCME Seniority List for the 2025-26 School Year
e. Approve Out of State Travel for Amber Seibert and Steven Funk to Indianapolis on October 31st, 2025 for the National FFA Convention
f. Approve Out of state Travel for Amber Seibert and Steven Funk to Nashville from December 8th – 12th 2025 for the NAAE/ACTEVision Conference.

HEARD Monthly Student council Report – Homecoming went very well and was a great success. We are working really hard to include our 7th and 8th grade students. We are trying to be creative with our events that the students could be involved. New we are going to honor a staff of the month which is great for our students to recognize our staff and show our student about who matters.

HEARD Monthly Superintendent Report- We have made it half way through our first trimester and I think everyone is doing a great job. Next month is MREA. We have some punch list items that are being completed and that is coming along. We have several openings that we are still looking to fill.

HEARD Monthly Business Manager Report- We have a compensatory audit tomorrow. Last Friday we were sent a notice for our funding and we are watching that while this shutdown is happening.

HEARD Monthly Principals' Report
Johnson – HIP had a speaker here and that was a great way to show our kids how to make good choices. We are in Mid-trimester and we will have conferences on Wednesday. We are starting some Targeted services for 7 & 8 and some after school tutoring for 9-12. We are working through some things with ICS on certain things and everyone is working together to get these things complete. Choir Concert tonight at 7:00pm
LeMier – Thank you to Park Rapids Fire department on Fire safety week as well as Bicycle safety with Office Rittgers. Parent Teacher Conferences are taking place this evening and

Wednesday evening. Shout out to our staff for spending time reviewing data and finding the best instructional fit for each student.

HEARD Monthly Activities Directors Report – Turning time we are working into sections these coming up weeks. Looking at winter activities and getting those rolled out. Choir Concert tonight at 7pm.

HEARD Monthly Community Education Report – Programming is going well. Ronda, Rosie and Michelle. Will be attending the Comm ed Conference next week. Starting to gather Ideas for the winter brochures.

HEARD Monthly Facilities Director Report- We are getting things ready for the weather change. Our door renumbering process has started, and we will be renumbering things with the police and sheriffs' department's help. We are working with ICS on items, and we are getting those things taken care of.

HEARD Monthly Special Education Directors Report – We are working with HIP on certain presentations or presenters that we could get here. We are working on the Compensatory audit as well as early childhood records being looked at. We have another director's meeting in November with a conference at the end of the week this week.

HEARD Monthly Director of Curriculum and Instruction Report – Fastbridge and ROAR testing has been completed for our district, and we are planning for these assessments in the coming up months. We are working with all our social studies teachers to get that curriculum organized and ready. PRAVA is going well, and we are working with those students…

HEARD Monthly Transportation Directors Report – All is good, we haven't had much for transportation trouble, and all roads are open.

HEARD Old Business

a. Approve World Classroom trip to Washington DC in July of 2027Hoyt/Morgan

HEARD New Business

a. Approve 2025-2027 ED MN Park Rapids Contract Diekmann/Kocka

REVIEWED Enrollment

DONATIONS Received and Appreciated

TO	FROM	AMOUNT/ITEM
Park Rapids School	PREAF	See Below

ADJOURN at 6:28pm Morgan/Pike

PREAF Donations:

*6th grade - $974.00 – equipment for outdoor recess & variety of indoor games
*BPA - $2,000 – student registration, materials, transportation, etc.
*Girls' basketball - $ 2,700.00 – new uniforms
*Boys' basketball - $2,210.00 – equipment & off-set basketball clinic fees
*Hockey - $2,000.00 – locker stalls
*Gymnastics - $2,488.04 – mats & beam laser

Total: $12,372.04