

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CRIVITZ
400 SOUTH AVENUE
CRIVITZ, WISCONSIN 54114

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.....March 18, 2026

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Grandaw at 6:00 pm.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- III. ROLL CALL: Board members Amy Grandaw, Sonny Graese, Kris Heidewald, Lyle Cherry, Kim Hanson, Kaitlin Deschane, and Cory Siebert were present. Others present: Kelly Robinson – District Administrator, Bob Berndt – MS/HS Principal Sub, Sarah Jones – Finance Manager, Tom White – Director of Buildings, Grounds and Transportation, Nick Schramm – Technology Coordinator, Jannie Marsolek – Administrative Secretary, Julie Patefield – Community Ed Supervisor, Jeff Ott – HS Teacher, and Scott Russell – HS Teacher. Also attending was community member Bonnie Beamer as registered public commenter, as well as a few unregistered community members.
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Hanson to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- V. CONSIDER MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2026
 - B. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 25, 2026.
 - C. GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL REPORTMotion by Cherry, seconded by Siebert to approve consent agenda as read, including ACH numbers 252600158-25260177 in the amount of \$33,558.55, checks 110618-110791 in the amount of \$531,121.25, wire transfers 202500124-202500143 in the amount of \$288,014.38, no voids, and no donations for a total of \$852,694.18. Motion carried 7-0.
- VI. PUBLIC INPUT: There was one public commenter, Bonnie Beamer, who congratulated the winter sports teams.
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION: Mrs. Robinson recognized the efforts of the MS/HS Band and Choir for putting on the recent Pops concert.
- VIII. REPORTS
 - A. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)
 - 1. BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, TRANSPORTATION & TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Graese reported that the committee met earlier in the evening and will be recommending Data Center Warehouse’s wireless network infrastructure bid in the amount of \$61,673.41. It will be brought forward for full board approval later in the meeting.
 - 2. PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS: Mrs. Grandaw reported that the committee met earlier in the meeting and will be recommending moving a part time special ed paraprofessional position to full time based on needs, as well as adding a full time tech ed position, and a full time elementary teaching position. The items will be brought to the full board for approval later in the meeting.
 - B. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
 - 1. KELLY ROBINSON – SUPERINTENDENT: Mrs. Robinson gave the board members a weather update regarding school closure days, on spring break, and the start of the spring testing schedule. She also noted that the 4th quarter starts soon.
 - 2. BOB BERNDT – MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Mr. Berndt reported on the February 26 pep rally, on the visit by the officers with canines on March 4, and on the MS/HS Pops concert on March 5.
 - 3. KAM DAMA – ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Robinson reported for Mrs. Dama that Sharon Bernier was recognized as February’s staff member of the month, on a PBIS incentive DJ Dance

Party on March 3, the annual WPTO raffle on March 5, and on the 5th and 6th graders Phuture Phoenix visit to UWGB.

4. TOM WHITE – BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR: Mr. White updated the board members on the renovation progress being made at the elementary school, on the construction at the MS/HS tech ed area, and on the maintenance efforts by his department during the recent winter storm.
5. NICK SCHRAMM – TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR: Mr. Schramm reported on upgrade planning for the aging wireless access points, with the project selection up for approval later in the evening. He also is working on the annual RFP for the computer and Chromebook rotations, with approval at the April meeting. Finally, he is working on deployment of a new incident management system to notify staff of planned and unplanned system downtime.
6. JULIE PATEFIELD – COMMUNITY EDUCATION SUPERVISOR: Mrs. Patefield updated the board members on the many current and upcoming programs happening in Community Ed. She is also working on some new summer events for the community.

IX. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- A. 2026-2027 STAFF INSURANCE RENEWALS: Mrs. Robinson reported that there was no premium increase in health or vision insurance for 2026-27, and 8% increase for dental.
- B. QUIZ BOWL OUT OF STATE TRIP: Mrs. Retza is asking permission for a day trip to NMU in Michigan on 4/25.
- C. SKILLS USA OVERNIGHT TRIP: Mr. Russell is asking permission to attend a multi-day event for Skills USA in Madison on 4/7 & 4/8, with an overnight on 4/7. The participating students would miss 2 days of school.
- D. SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL PART TIME TO FULL TIME: Mrs. Robinson reported that this item was discussed at the committee level, who have recommended the change due to high needs in the special education department.
- E. ADDITIONAL TEACHING POSITIONS IN TECH ED AND ELEMENTARY: Mrs. Robinson reported that they are requesting to add an additional tech ed teaching position with the building expansion to allow more tech ed class opportunities, and an additional teaching position in the elementary school due to class sizes in grade 6. These items were discussed at the committee level and will be up for approval later in the evening.
- F. 2026-27 TEACHER COMPENSATION: Mrs. Robinson reported that this item was discussed at the committee level, and the board is asked to increase the base professional salary to \$41,000 at the start of the 2026-27 school year, with an additional bump to all steps. This will increase the budget by approximately \$20,000. The item is up for approval later in the meeting.
- G. REVIEW E-RATE IT INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSALS: This item was discussed at the committee level earlier in the meeting, and the bid from Data Center Warehouse in the amount of \$61,673.41 was recommended. With e-rate reimbursement, the project may only cost the district \$12,331.68.
- H. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES: Mrs. Robinson reported, as required with referendum procedures, this is the last borrowing amount to be approved (phase 3).

X. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. RESIGNATIONS
 1. HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: Motion by Siebert, seconded by Hanson to approve the retirement/resignation of Stephanie Foelske as HS SpEd teacher. Motion carried 7-0.
- B. APPOINTMENTS
 1. SHORT-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Siebert to approve Jason Donaldson as short-term substitute teacher. Motion carried 7-0.

2. ELEMENTARY PART TIME PARAPROFESSIONAL: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Siebert to approve Brooke Gray as elementary part time paraprofessional. Motion carried 7-0.
 3. MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK COACH: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Hanson to approve David Pleuss as MS track coach. Motion carried 7-0.
 4. VOLUNTEERS/CHAPERONES: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Siebert to approve the list of volunteers/chaperones as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- C. 2026-2027 STAFF INSURANCE RENEWALS: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Heidewald to approve the 2026-2027 staff insurance renewals as presented earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - D. QUIZ BOWL OUT OF STATE TRIP: Motion by Deschane, seconded by Graese to approve the Quiz Bowl out-of-state trip on 4/25 as presented earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - E. SKILLS USA OVERNIGHT TRIP: Motion by Graese, seconded by Siebert to approve the Skills USA overnight trip on 4/7 and 4/8 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - F. SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL PART TIME TO FULL TIME: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Deschane to approve moving a part-time SpEd paraprofessional to full time as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - G. ADDITIONAL TEACHING POSITIONS IN TECH ED AND ELEMENTARY: Motion by Siebert, seconded by Deschane to approve additional teaching positions in Tech Ed and at the elementary school as discussed earlier. Motion carried 7-0.
 - H. 2026-27 TEACHER COMPENSATION: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Heidewald to approve an increase in the base teacher compensation for the 2026-27 school year by \$300 (increased to \$41,000), with an additional increase per salary step by \$300 effective July 1, 2026.
 - I. E-RATE IT INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSALS: Motion by Graese, seconded by Hanson to approve the E-Rate IT Infrastructure proposal from Data Center Warehouse in the amount of \$61,673.41 as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - J. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Cherry to approve the resolution as read by Grandaw. Roll call vote was taken: Grandaw-Yes, Graese-Yes, Heidewald-Yes, Cherry-Yes, Hanson-Yes, Deschane-Yes, and Siebert-Yes. Motion carried.
 - K. FALL 2026 DUAL CREDIT CLASSES: Motion by Deschane, seconded by Siebert to approve the list of fall 2026 dual credit classes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Siebert, seconded by Graese to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

Prepared by:

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Recording Secretary

Kris Heidewald
Clerk

Amy Grandaw
President