STEELTON-HIGHSPIRE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
July 20, 2026

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT
Mr. Micheal Wanner, President, Mr. Calvin Johnson, Treasurer, Mr. Casey Hamilton, Ms. Joyce Culpepper, Ms. Jenna Condran, Ms. Christie Hamilton, Mr. Michael Pilsitz and Mr. Nicholas Conjar.

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT
Mr. Willie Slade, Jr, Superintendent, Mr. Micheal Lewis, Solicitor, Mr. Harry Mathias Chief Recovery Officer (virtual), and Ms. Lesli Elby, Board Recording Secretary.

1. CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Micheal Wanner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING
Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss school business.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (agenda items only)
The Board respectfully recommends to amend the July 20, 2026 agenda for item 5.c. to add the Easement and Assignment of Lease with Vertical Bridge Towers V, LLC.
On a motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Conjar Voice Call Vote, all members voting Aye, items 5.c motion was added to the agenda.

The Board respectfully recommends to amend the July 20, 2026 agenda for item 5.a. letter of resignation from Ashley Ward-McMullen, to be effective July 20, 2026.
On a motion by Mr. Johnson second by Mr. Conjar by Voice Call Vote, all members voting Aye, items 5.a motion was updated for resignation to be effective July 20, 2026.

5. Board Reports
Reports are all listed individually.

5.a. SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT
5.a.a. Resignation
The President of the Board of Directors respectfully recommends that the board approve letter of resignation from Ashley Ward-McMullen, effective July 20, 2026.
On a motion by Ms. Culpepper second Mr. Johnson by Roll Call Vote, all members voting Aye. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Wanner – Aye, Ms. Hamilton – Aye, Mr. Hamilton – Aye, Ms. Culpepper – Aye, Mr. Conjar – Aye, Mr. Pilsitz - Aye and Mr. Johnson - Aye item 5a.a was approved.
Mr. Wanner thanked Ms. Ward-McMullen for her service while on the School Board.

5.a.b. NONMINATION FOR OFFICERS
Nomination of Assistant Secretary
Mr. Wanner open up nominations for Assistant Secretary to assist when Ms. Culpepper is unavailable.
Ms. Culpepper nominated Ms. Hamilton for Assistant Secretary. Mr. Wanner closed the nominations for Assistant Secretary.

The President of the Board of Directors respectfully recommends that the board approve the nominee for the Assistant Board Secretary position.
On a motion by Ms. Culpepper second Mr. Conjar by Roll Call Vote, all members voting Aye. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Wanner – Aye, Ms. Hamilton – Aye, Mr. Hamilton – Aye, Ms. Culpepper – Aye, Mr. Conjar – Aye, Mr. Pilsitz - Aye and Mr. Johnson - Aye Ms. Hamilton is approved for the Assistant Secretary position.

Nomination of Vice President
Mr. Wanner open up nominations for Vice President.
Mr. Wanner nominated Ms. Condran for Vice President and second by Ms. Hamilton. Mr. Conjar nominated Mr. Hamilton for Vice President and second by Mr. Pilsitz. Mr. Wanner closed the nominations for Vice President.

The President of the Board of Directors respectfully recommends that the board approve the nominee for the Vice President position.
On a motion by Mr. Johnson second Ms. Hamilton by Roll Call Vote, members voting Aye for nominees. Roll Call Votes for Ms. Condran Mr. Wanner – Aye, Mr. Hamilton – Aye, Ms. Hamilton – Aye and Votes for Mr. Hamilton Ms. Culpepper – Aye, Mr. Conjar – Aye, Mr. Pilsitz - Aye and Mr. Johnson - Aye Mr. Hamilton is approved for the Vice President position.

5.b. FINANCIAL RECOVERY PLAN REPORT: Mr. Mathias

Mr. Mathias stated with the accepting the resignation from Ms. Ward-McMullen resignation, and he wanted to thank her for her time, service and input with the district.

He wants the Board to understand in moving forward with another candidate for the school board to keep in mind there is a Financial Recovery plan in place, and you can refer it when he person to . In selecting someone who is aware of the plan but is willing to support it and understand the ramifications if they do not.

5.c. PERSONNEL REPORT ACTION ITEM: Ms. Culpepper

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the Easement and Assignment of Lease with Vertical Bridge Towers V, LLC.
On a motion by Ms. Culpepper second Mr. Johnson with no objections, the motion to tabled Items 5.c.1 carried by voice vote.

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the Personnel Reports.
On a motion by Ms. Culpepper second Mr. Johnson by Roll Call Vote, all members voting Aye. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Wanner – Aye, Ms. Hamilton – Aye, Mr. Hamilton – Aye, Ms. Culpepper – Aye, Mr. Conjar – Aye, Mr. Pilsitz - Aye and Mr. Johnson - Aye item 5a.2 was approved.

The Administration respectfully requests that the Board accept the Confidential Resignation agreement for Ashley Schumacher, effective July 8, 2026.
On a motion by Ms. Culpepper second Mr. Johnson by Roll Call Vote, all members voting Aye. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Wanner – Aye, Ms. Hamilton – Aye, Mr. Hamilton – Aye, Ms. Culpepper – Aye, Mr. Conjar – Aye, Mr. Pilsitz - Aye and Mr. Johnson - Aye item 5a.3 was approved.

5.d. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Slade, Nothing to report.

5.e. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Lewis, Nothing to report.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (agenda items only)

No public comment.

9. BOARD ROUND TABLE

Ms. Culpepper asked was students schedules ready, and Mr. Slade confirmed yes.
Ms. Culpepper asked when students who participate in the Neighboring Academy, how do this effect the students' credits? The Neighboring Academy is an elective that will have teacher in place moving forward with the program.

Mr. Hamilton was questioning students to take credit worthy classes i.e., financial literacy.

Mr. Wanner is requesting Department Heads report out to their Chairs monthly on what is going on in their departments, so Board is kept in the loop.

Mr. Conjar requesting reports on grants (which some grants are required to be board approved) and funding with the football.

Mr. Johnson stated with the passing of the state budget, will it be additional funding for the district.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21p.m. on a motion by Mr. Johnson and second by Ms. Hamilton. All members present voted Aye.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ms. Cesli Elby
Board Recording Secretary