

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CRIVITZ
400 SOUTH AVENUE
CRIVITZ, WISCONSIN 54114

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.....October 20, 2025

- 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, 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, Alexandria Graves – HS Counselor, Jeff Ott – HS Teacher, Scott Russell – MS/HS Tech Ed Teacher, Dana Stillings – HS English Teacher, Bethany Emler – HS SpEd Teacher, Tina Bonikowske – ES Teacher, and Kellie Stumbris – Cheer coach. Also attending were Tony Steffek – School Attorney, Nick Bloch and Mitch Kidd from CD Smith, as well as various other 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 SEPTEMBER 22, 2025
 - B. GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL REPORTMotion by Cherry, seconded by Siebert to approve consent agenda as read, including general fund vouchers 109735-109907 in the amount of \$543,567.41, ACH numbers 252600044-25260064 in the amount of \$53,480.01, wire transfers 202500032-202500050 in the amount of \$1,353,803.57, and voids 109220, 109546, and 109621 in the amount of \$2,302.81 for a total of \$1,948,548.18. Motion carried 7-0.
- VI. PUBLIC INPUT: There were various public input comments. Hadley Scheuerman, Eva Van Lanen, Kyra Beier, and Kylah Betka had positive comments regarding their experiences with sports, Jeff Ott recognized Frank & Kathy Haeni for their years of service to education by being awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from UW-Stevens Point, and now have the new Chemistry-Biology building named after them. They also established a UW-Stevens Point scholarship fund to be awarded to Crivitz students. Then, Justin Pusick, Jake Roberts, Damon Roman, and Sara Roman spoke negatively about staff, coaching, and administration.
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION: There was none.
- VIII. REPORTS
 - A. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
 1. KELLY ROBINSON – SUPERINTENDENT: Mrs. Robinson reported on a bill on Gov. Evers’ desk to ban cell phones in schools. If approved, the board would need to have to implement a policy to ban cell phone use in the classroom by July. Exceptions can be made for emergencies or to support a student’s mental health. She also reported on the tax levy information, with state aid reduced by 25%, funding will be coming from property tax values, since we have high land value in a rural school. Our funding was not cut, just a larger percent of the revenue will come from local taxes and less from the state. Tax bills will most likely show an increase on the school section, due to a larger part of the property taxes going to the school, not that we are actually taxing at a higher rate.
 2. KELLY ROBINSON – MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Robinson reported for Mr. Baumann in his absence on September’s students of the month and on the Lunch Bunch recipients. She reported that, with the end of the 1st quarter, report cards will be going out soon. Also, Mrs. Plucker will be working with the National Honor Society students again, as we have been without an advisor. The

NHS will be holding a blood drive in the MS/HS gym on Thursday, Nov. 6 from 9-2. She is also working on the induction ceremony details.

3. KAM DAMA – ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Dama was absent, so Mrs. Robinson reported in her absence. She thanked the Crivitz Area Woman’s Club for 5 their generosity, with every student from 4K through 4th grade getting to pick out a book to take home. She also reported on fire safety week, on the 5th graders attending Kindness Retreat put on by Youth Frontiers, and recognized Colleen Zeitler, ES Administrative Assistant, as staff member of the month.
4. TOM WHITE – BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR: Mr. White reported on the new elementary school flagpole installation, the continued support from the summer maintenance workers Stephen Allard and Austin Doyen who are participating in the “School to Work” program. He acknowledged and thanked our substitute employees who have helped cover absences in his department. Aaron Patefield, Joe Hansen, and Christina LaFave have been a great help in filling the voids. Finally, he reported that he has conducted interviews to replace outgoing maintenance worker Tim Corrigan, who he thanked for his years of service to the department. He will be moving a name forward as replacement later in the meeting.
5. NICK SCHRAMM – TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR: Mr. Schramm reported that he recently completed a migration of our cybersecurity software platform for our computing endpoints, necessary to take advantage of substantial savings, as we can now purchase the software as part of the CESA consortium. Also, he has begun the transition process from the Skyward software platform that will no longer be available. He has narrowed down the selection and is awaiting a response from the company we will be using so we can start the process. Finally, he reported on meeting with key staff members to review and discuss internal WISEdata reporting, and to review any outstanding errors.
6. JULIE PATEFIELD – COMMUNITY ED SUPERVISOR: Mrs. Patefield reported on the successful craft show, that she has started using QR codes to allow easier registration for CE programs, and would like to have a CW store up and running by Christmas, with hopes of using local vendors to sell mostly Crivitz Wolverine clothing and other items. She also reported that she got the results back from the survey by the Marinette County Elderly Services, and they are on the right track for providing new programs aimed at the older members of the community. She also stated that the interest in the community education offerings has been quite positive, and she continues adding new classes.

IX. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- A. 2025-2026 TAX LEVY: Mrs. Robinson reported that the 3rd Friday count has been completed, and the tax levy can be set in the amount of \$9,824,714.
- B. 2025-2026 BUDGET REVISION: Mrs. Robinson reviewed the updated budget revision information as presented in the board packets.
- C. REVIEW HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION & ADDITION BIDS: The bid tab was presented in the board packets. The bids were reviewed on the committee level, and Nick Bloch and Mitch Kidd from CD Smith were present to answer any questions on recommended vendors presented in the list.
- D. REVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RENOVATION BIDS: The bid tab was presented in the board packets. The bids were reviewed on the committee level, and Nick Bloch and Mitch Kidd from CD Smith were present to answer any questions on recommended vendors presented in the list.
- E. REVIEW TIMBER SALE BIDS: This item was reviewed at the committee level and Marshal Giese Trucking was recommended as the selection. The school forest is west of Crivitz near the Van Beek subdivision.
- F. 2027 UNITED KINGDOM TRIP: Ms. Stillings was at the meeting to ask permission to take a trip to the UK in June of 2027. Details of the trip were included in the board packet.
- G. QUIZ BOWL TOURNAMENT: Mrs. Retza is asking for permission to attend a Quiz Bowl tournament on November 1 at MI Tech. This is only an out-of-state request for the day only.

- H. WACPC CHEER CONFERENCE TRIP: Mrs. Stumbris is asking permission for an overnight trip for a WACPC conference in WI Dells November 14th & 15th, with an overnight stay on the 14th.
 - I. SKILLS USA TRIPS: Mr. Russell is asking permission for the SkillsUSA students to attend a leadership trip to Stevens Point, with an overnight stay on 11/16.
 - J. APPOINT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO WASB CONVENTION: Mrs. Robinson asked the board members who would like to be appointed delegate and alternate at the WASB convention in Milwaukee in January. Mrs. Heidewald agreed to be the delegate, and Mr. Cherry would be the alternate.
- X. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION
- A. RESIGNATION(S)
 - 1. MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Hanson to approve the resignation of Tim Corrigan as maintenance employee. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 2. JV BOYS BASKETBALL COACH: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Siebert to approve the resignation/retirement of Arlin Grandaw as JV Boys basketball coach. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Grandaw abstaining.
 - B. APPOINTMENT(S)
 - 1. MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Deschane to approve Aaron Patefield as maintenance employee. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 2. IT SUPPORT SPECIALIST: There was no action at this time
 - 3. SHORT TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Siebert to approve Chad Brownell and Tyler Woodke as short-term substitute teachers. Motion carried 7-0.
 - 4. VOLUNTEERS/CHAPERONES: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Siebert to approve the list of volunteers as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
 - C. CERTIFY 2025-2026 TAX LEVY: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Deschane to certify the 2025-2026 tax levy in the amount of \$9,824,714 as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - D. 2025-2026 BUDGET REVISION: Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Siebert to approve the 2025-26 budget revision as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - E. HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION & ADDITION BID: Motion by Graese, seconded by Hanson to approve the list of bids for the high school renovation and addition as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - F. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RENOVATION BID: Motion by Graese, seconded by Deschane to approve the list of bids for the elementary school renovation as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - G. TIMBER SALE BID: Motion by Deschane, seconded by Graese to approve the timber sale bid from Marshal Giese Trucking in the amount of \$40,270.50. Motion carried 7-0.
 - H. 2027 UNITED KINGDOM TRIP: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Deschane to approve the 2027 United Kingdom trip as discussed earlier in the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
 - I. QUIZ BOWL TOURNAMENT: Motion by Cherry, seconded by Heidewald to approve the Quiz Bowl trip to MI Tech on November 1. Motion carried 7-0.
 - J. WACPC CHEER CONFERENCE TRIP: Motion by Deschane, seconded by Hanson to approve the WACPC Cheer Conference trip overnight on November 14th & 15th. Motion carried 7-0.

- K. SKILLS USA TRIPS: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Siebert to approve a trip for the SkillsUSA club overnight on November 16 & 17 to Stevens Point. Motion carried 7-0.
- L. APPOINT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO WASB CONVENTION: Motion by Deschane, seconded by Hanson to appoint Kris Heidewald as delegate and Lyle Cherry as alternate delegate at the 2026 State Education Convention in Milwaukee in January. Motion carried 7-0.
- M. SPRING 2026 START COLLEGE NOW/DUAL ENROLLMENT/EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM CLASSES: Motion by cherry, seconded by Hanson to approve the list of 2026 SCN/DE/ECCP classes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- XI. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AS PROVIDED BY STATE STATUTE 19.85(1)(f)(g):
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A. MS/HS PRINCIPAL
*CONSIDERING FINANCIAL, MEDICAL, SOCIAL OR PERSONAL HISTORIES OR DISCIPLINARY DATA OF SPECIFIC PERSONS, PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION OF SPECIFIC PERSONNEL PROBLEMS OR THE INVESTIGATION OF CHARGERS AGAINST SPECIFIC PERSONS EXCEPT WHERE PAR. (b) APPLIES WHICH, IF DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC, WOULD BE LIKELY TO HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT UPON THE REPUTATION OF ANY PERSON REFERRED TO IN SUCH HISTORIES OR DATA, OR INVOLVED IN SUCH PROBLEMS OR INVESTIGATIONS.
B. EMPLOYEE DPI INVESTIGATION
*CONFERRING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHO IS RENDERING ORAL OR WRITTEN ADVICE CONCERNING STRATEGY TO BE ADOPTED BY THE BODY WITH RESPECT TO LITIGATION IN WHICH IT IS OR IS LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED.
C. DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT
*CONFERRING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHO IS RENDERING ORAL OR WRITTEN ADVICE CONCERNING STRATEGY TO BE ADOPTED BY THE BODY WITH RESPECT TO LITIGATION IN WHICH IT IS OR IS LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED.
D. INSURANCE INJURY CLAIM
Motion by Graese, seconded by Siebert to recess to closed session as read above. Roll call vote was taken: Grandaw-Yes, Graese-Yes, Heidewald-Yes, Cherry-Yes, Hanson-Yes, Deschane-Yes, and Siebert-Yes. Motion carried and closed session began at 6:56 pm.
- XII. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY PUBLIC ACTION AS PER WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85(2): Motion by Heidewald, seconded by Siebert to reconvene into open session at 8:13 pm. Motion carried 7-0. There was no action taken coming back into open session.
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Graese, seconded by Siebert to adjourn at 8:14 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

Prepared by:

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Clerk

Amy Grandaw
President