

**CLIMAX-SCOTTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

Date: January 20, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Board Room

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Board President, Sue Reichert, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Members Present

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen
Mrs. Susan Reichert
Mr. Trent Piper
Mr. Steve Wurtzel
Ms. Jackie Longman
Mr. Matt Birkam

Member's Absent

Mrs. Lori Bagwell

Other School Personnel Present

Mr. Doug Newington, Superintendent
Ms. Heather Wechsler, Board Recording Secretary

3. Public Forum

None

4. Agenda Modifications

None

5. Consent Calendar Items

- a. December 16, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes
- b. General Fund & Construction Check Registers

Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Matt Birkam, that the Board approve the Consent Calendar items as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

6. Items for Action or Discussion

a. Election of Officers for January-December 2025

i. President

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Steve Wurtzel, that the Board elect Sue Reichert to fill President. **Motion Carried 5-0 (Sue Reichert Abstained).**

ii. Vice President

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Steve Wurtzel, that the Board elect Trent Piper to fill Vice President. **Motion Carried 5-0 (Trent Piper Abstained).**

iii. Secretary/Treasurer

Sue Reichert **moved**, supported by Jackie Longman, that the Board elect Terri VandeGiessen to fill Secretary/Treasurer. **Motion Carried 5-0 (Terri VandeGiessen Abstained).**

b. Organization Meeting Resolution

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Trent Piper, that the board approve the 2025 Organizational Meeting Resolution as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Matt Birkam, Yes; Jackie Longman, Yes; Trent Piper, Yes; Sue Reichert, - Yes; Terri VandeGiessen, Yes; Steve Wurtzel, Yes; Motion Carried 6-0.**

c. Board Compensation Resolution

Steve Wurtzel moved, supported by Jackie Longman, that the Board approve the 2025 Board Compensation Resolution as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Matt Birkam, Yes; Jackie Longman, Yes; Trent Piper, Yes; Sue Reichert, - Yes; Terri VandeGiessen, Yes; Steve Wurtzel, Yes; Motion Carried 6-0.**

d. Designation of Depositories

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Steve Wurtzel that the Board approve the recommended designation of depositories as Sturgis Bank & Trust & MILAF (Michigan Liquid Asset Fund) as presented. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

e. Check Signature Authorizations (All Accounts)

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Steve Wurtzel that the Board approve the Check Signature Authorizations for all accounts for 2025 as presented. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

f. Appointment of Recording Secretary

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Steve Wurtzel that the Board approve the Superintendent's Assistant, Heather Wechsler as the recording secretary for 2025 as presented. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

g. Designation of Person to Post Public Notice of Board Meetings

Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Trent Piper that the Board approve the Superintendent's Assistant, Heather Wechsler as the person to post public notice of board meetings for 2025. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

h. Delegation of Election Duties

Trent Piper **moved**, supported by Jackie Longman, that the Board delegate Heather Wechsler to handle district election duties for 2025. **Motion carried 6-0.**

i. Approval of Legal Representation

Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Terri VandeGiessen, that the Board approve Thrun Law Firm, PC as legal representation for the district in 2025. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

j. Appointment of Legislative Representative

Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Terri VandeGiessen, that the Board appoint Sue Reichert as the legislative representative for the district in 2025. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

k. Appointment of KRESA Voting Delegate

Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Terri VandeGiessen, that the Board appoint Terri VandeGiessen as the KRESA voting delegate for the district in 2025. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

l. Appoint of MASB Voting Delegate

APPROVED MINUTES

Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Terri VandeGiessen, that the Board appoint Jackie Longman as the MASB voting delegate for the district in 2025. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

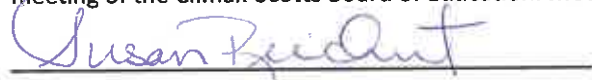
m. Appointment of Standing Committees

- i. Building & Grounds - Steve Wurtzel (Chair), Matt Birkam, & Trent Piper (Alternate-Jackie Longman)
- ii. Policy - Terri VandeGiessen (Chair), Sue Reichert, & Lori Bagwell
- iii. Public Relations (PRC) - Lori Bagwell (Chair), Jackie Longman, Sue Reichert

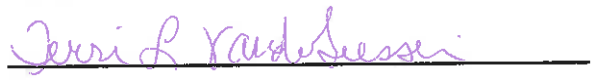
Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Terri VandeGiessen, that the Board approve the 2025 Standing Committees as noted above. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

Adjournment

At 6:17 p.m., Terri VandeGiessen **moved**, supported by Jackie Longman to adjourn the January 20, 2025, Regular meeting of the Climax-Scotts Board of Education. **Motion carried 6-0.**



Susan Reichert, Board President



Terri VandeGiessen, Board Secretary/Treasurer