

CLIMAX-SCOTTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Date: December 15, 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. Susan Reichert

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen

Mr. Matt Birkam

Ms. Jackie Longman (arrived 6:02)

Mr. Trent Piper (arrived 6:01)

Mr. Steve Wurtzel

Mrs. Lori Bagwell

Member's Absent

Other School Personnel Present

Mr. Doug Newington, Superintendent

Ms. Heather Wechsler, Board Recording Secretary

Mrs. Teri Peters, Elementary Principal

Ms. Lauren MacVicar, ELA Coordinator & Title One Coordinator

Mrs. Brooklyn Genschoreck, Elementary Teacher

Mrs. Beth Missler, Art Teacher

Mrs. Angela Gilbert, Jr. & Sr. High School Secretary & Athletic Secretary

Mrs. Allison Charles, STEAM Teacher

Mrs. Jennifer Wright, Jr. & Sr. High School English Teacher

Ms. Lisa Tuinstra, Social Worker

Mrs. Rachel Slager, Fifth Grade Teacher

Ms. Megan Woodworth, Resource Room Teacher

Mrs. Caitlyn Tiller, Jr. & Sr. High School Office Staff & Cheer Coach

Mr. Kevin Langs, Career Coordinator

Mr. Kevin Harvey,

Mrs. Kendra Rork, Jr. High Language Arts Teacher

Mr. Brandon Haynes, Jr. & Sr. High School Guidance Counselor

Guests

3. Public Forum

Caitlyn Tiller

Angela Gilbert

Brenda Sutherland

Brad Sutherland

Kendra Rork

Andrew Gilbert

4. Agenda Modifications

6.e. Attorney Client Communication per MCL 15.268 (8.1.H)

APPROVED MINUTES

5. Consent Calendar Items

- a. November 17, 2025, Regular Meeting & Closed Session minutes
- b. General Fund & Construction Check Registers

Lori Bagwell moved, supported by Trent Piper, that the Board approve the Consent Calendar items as presented. **Motion carried 7-0.**

6. Items for Action or Discussion

- a. Propose New Elementary ELA Curriculum

Lori Bagwell moved, supported by Steve Wurtzel to approve the purchase of the elementary ELA curriculum as presented. **Motion carried 7-0.**

- b. Revised General Fund Budget

Steve Wurtzel moved, supported by Terri VandeGiessen to approve the revised budget summary as presented. **Motion carried 7-0.**

- c. 31aa Funding-updated information presented

- d. 2023 Bond Project Update

- e. Closed Session Attorney-Client Correspondence per MCL 15.268 (8.1.H)

Lori Bagwell made a motion at 7:07pm to go into closed session, supported by Terri VandeGiessen. Motion carried 7-0.

Steve Wurtzel made a motion, supported by Terri VandeGiessen at 8:00pm pm to reconvene open session, Motion carried 7-0

7. Adjournment

At 8:01 p.m., Steve Wurtzel moved, supported by Lori Bagwell to adjourn the December 15, 2025, Regular meeting of the Climax-Scotts Board of Education. **Motion carried 7-0.**



Susan Reichert, Board President



Terri VandeGiessen, Board Secretary/Treasurer