

**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)

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