# REGULAR MEETING OF THE RAVENNA BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

# January 13, 2025 Ravenna High School Bulldog Room 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Josh Emery. Present: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel.
- 2. Motion by Pierson, Support by Jawor to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.
- 3. Motion by Becklin, Support by Pierson to approve the Consent Agenda. Items on the Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approve the Board of Education Regular and Closed Session Minutes from December 9, 2024
  - b. Approve the Hire of Kirsten Sweet, Speech-Language Pathologist
  - c. Accept the Resignation of Ashley Bennett, Light Maintenance Worker
  - d. Accept the Resignation of Nate Hoekstra, High School Math Teacher
  - e. Accept the Resignation of McKenna Carlson, JV Girls Basketball Coach

Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.

## 4. Correspondence

a. None

#### 5. Reports

a. Motion by Rosel, Support by Pierson to Approve the expenditures of \$113,791.96 from the General Fund and \$47,915.24 from the Food Service Fund. Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.

### 6. Superintendent Report

- a. Superintendent Helmer shared the DSP Fence Patrol reports from Teaching and Learning, Relationships and Communication, and Facilities and Finance.
- b. Business Director Sue Felicioni shared that the Board will be presented with a resolution at the April 2025 meeting about the possibility of presenting voters with ballot language on the August 2025 ballot to renew the Non-Homestead Millage which expires with this year's tax levv.
- c. Superintendent Helmer shared bond survey results with Board members. Survey collection is ongoing. Board discussed having the sub committee of the Board review the results and report back to the full Board at a later date.
- d. Superintendent Helmer announced his intent to retire effective June 30, 2026.

#### 7. Old Business

a. School Board members were provided with information from MASB regarding upcoming classes.

#### 8. New Business

- a. Motion by Rosel, Support by Pierson to Approve the revised 2024-2025 General Fund and Internal Fund Budgets. Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.
- 9. Motion by Pierson, Support by Rosel to move to Closed Session for the purpose of Contract Negotiations. Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0. 7:03 p.m.
- 10. Motion by Pierson, Support by Rosel to Move to Open Session. 7:21 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous consent.
- 11. Public comment/audience participation. No action taken.

12. Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.

Joshua Emery, President

Michael Pierson, Secretary