

**Girard School District Board of Education
Board Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 10, 2026
5:45 p.m.
Girard High School Auditorium**

1. Meeting Opening

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order

Board President, Mr. Rich Brown, called the August 10, 2026 Board of Education Meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

Procedural: 1.2 Pledge to the Flag

Mr. Rich Brown led the *Pledge of Allegiance* to the American flag.

Procedural: 1.3 Silent Meditation

A moment of silent meditation was observed.

Procedural: 1.4 Roll Call - Members

Roll call was called and the following Board Members were present: Rich Brown, Joseph Legnasky, Kelly Fisher, Daniel Maher, Joseph Meka, Brady Sager, Melissa Smith

Absent: Sean Dunn, Mike McConnell

Action, Procedural: 1.5 Notation of Items to be added, deleted, or corrected to the Agenda

Board Secretary, Mr. Hagmaier, announced that no changes were made to the Board Agenda.

Action: 1.6. Agenda Approval

Resolution: Resolution to approve the Agenda as presented.

This motion, made by Melissa Smith and seconded by Brady Sager, Carried.

Sean Dunn: Absent, Mike McConnell: Absent, Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea,

Dan Maher: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

2. Recognition of Visitors

Procedural: 2.1 Recognition of Visitors

Board President Brown welcomed visitors in attendance and thanked them for coming.

Others Present: Jacob Hagmaier, Michelle Doritty, Shannon Holley, Heather Pier, Mike Trudnowski, Erin Pizzo, Clinton Southworth, Angel Ghastin, Greg Proper, Dave Ashton, Ashley Griffith, Darrin Mayes

3. Public Comments

Informational: 3.1 Public Comments

Board Secretary Jacob Hagmaier announced no public comments were received.

4. Administration

Action: 4.1 Kindergarten Enrollment for 2025-2026 School Year

Resolution to approve the admittance of one student to Kindergarten for the 2026-2027 school year, based on the recommendation of the School Psychologist, Principal and Superintendent in accordance with Policy 201 -

Admission of Students, as presented.

Student 2026-2027 R – Kindergarten

This motion, made by Melissa Smith and seconded by Joseph Legnasky, Carried.

Sean Dunn: Absent, Mike McConnell: Absent, Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea,

Dan Maher: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

5. Business, Finance, & Property

Action: 5.1 Elk Valley Elementary School Fence Project - Change Order

Resolution to approve a change order for the Elk Valley Elementary School Fence Project, Hi-T Fence Systems, Inc., as presented.

This motion, made by Melissa Smith and seconded by Dan Maher, Carried.

Sean Dunn: Absent, Mike McConnell: Absent, Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

6. Personnel

Action: 6.1 Ashley Griffith – Appoint 8th Grade Science Teacher

Resolution to appoint Ashley Griffith as a Professional Employee, 8th Grade Science Teacher with current assignment at Rice Avenue Middle School, at salary step M5, in accordance with the Professional Contract, effective 2026-2027 school year, with a start date to be determined. Assignment may be in any district building and is subject to change. (Vacancy is due to the resignation of Amanda Chamberlain.)

This motion, made by Joseph Legnasky and seconded by Brady Sager, Carried.

Sean Dunn: Absent, Mike McConnell: Absent, Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Mr. Mike Trudnowski introduced Ashley Griffith to the Board. Mrs. Griffith thanked Board members for this opportunity.

7. New Business

Discussion: 7.1 New Business

None.

8. Students

9. Consent Items

10. Correspondence

Discussion, Informational: 10.1 Other

None.

11. Adjournment

Action: 11.1 Adjournment

Resolution for Adjournment.

This motion, made by Melissa Smith and seconded by Kelly Fisher, Carried.

Sean Dunn: Absent, Mike McConnell: Absent, Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The August 10, 2026 Girard School District Board of Directors Special Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jacob Hagmaier, Board Secretary