

**Girard School District Board of Education
Board Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 14, 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 September 14, 2026 Board of Education Meeting to order at 5:45 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, Mike McConnell, Joseph Legnasky, Kelly Fisher, Daniel Maher, Joseph Meka, Brady Sager, Melissa Smith
All present.

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 to approve the Agenda as presented.

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

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0

2. Recognition of Visitors

Procedural: 2.1 Recognition of Visitors

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

Others Present: Superintendent David Koma, Jacob Hagmaier, Solicitor Pat Kennedy, Michelle Doritty, Shannon Holley, Erin Pizzo, Clinton Southworth, Angel Ghastin, Darrin Mayes, Tom Craig, Kelly Amenta, Chris Davis, Douglas Fronzaglia, Bob Otis, Jeff Brasington, Robert Weber, Eric Louis, Heather Pier

3. Public Comments

Informational: 3.1 Public Comments

Board Secretary Jacob Hagmaier announced no public comments were received.

At 5:46 p.m. Mr. Rich Brown called Board Members to Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters.

The Board Meeting resumed following Executive Session and Board President Brown announced Board Members met in Executive Session from 5:47 p.m. to 6:13 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal related items. No action was taken during the session.

4. Administration

4.1. New Board Member Interviews

The following new Board member candidates were present: Kelly Amenta, Chris Davis, Douglas Fronzaglia, Darrin Mayes, Bob Otis, and Robert Weber. Candidate Kevin Dildine was unable to attend. His information was provided to Board members for consideration.

Each candidate appeared before the Board and responded to a series of questions posed by Board President Brown.

Nominations to fill Board Vacancy

Board President Rich Brown called for nominations to fill the vacant seat.

Motion by Melissa Smith to nominate Kelly Amenta.
Second by Mike McConnell.

Motion by Joseph Legnasky to nominate Chris Davis.
No second.

Motion by Dan Maher to nominate Darrin Mayes.
Second by Brady Sager.

Motion by Joseph Meka to nominate Bob Otis.
Second by Rich Brown.

Motion by Joseph Legnasky to nominate Douglas Fronzaglia.
Second by Melissa Smith.

Motion to close nominations

Motion to close nominations for the vacant Board seat.

This motion, made by Brady Sager and seconded by Kelly Fisher, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0

Motion to Vote on Kelly Amenta

Motion to vote on Kelly Amenta for the vacant Board seat.

This motion, made by Melissa Smith and seconded by Mike McConnell, Carried.

Richard Brown: Nay, Joseph Legnasky: Nay, Dan Maher: Nay, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 3

Motion to Vote on Douglas Fronzaglia

Motion to vote on Douglas Fronzaglia for the vacant Board seat.

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

Kelly Fisher: Nay, Dan Maher: Nay, Mike McConnell: Nay, Joseph Meka: Nay, Brady Sager: Nay, Melissa Smith: Nay, Richard Brown: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea
Yea: 2, Nay: 6

Motion to Vote for Darrin Mayes

Motion to vote on Darrin Mayes for the vacant Board seat.

This motion, made by Dan Maher and seconded by Brady Sager, Failed.

Richard Brown: Nay, Kelly Fisher: Nay, Joseph Legnasky: Nay, Melissa Smith: Nay, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 4

Motion to vote on Bob Otis

Motion to vote on Bob Otis for the vacant Board seat.

This motion, made by Joseph Meka and seconded by Richard Brown, Failed.

Kelly Fisher: Nay, Joseph Legnasky: Nay, Brady Sager: Nay, Melissa Smith: Nay, Richard Brown: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 4

Action: 4.2. Kelly Amenta - Board Member Approval

Resolution to appoint Kelly Amenta as a School Board Director effective September 14, 2026 to December 1, 2027 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sean Dunn (Roll Call Vote).

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

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea

Yea: 8, Nay: 0

Procedural: 4.3. Kelly Amenta - Oath of Office

District Notary, Mr. Jacob Hagmaier, administered the Oath of Office as follows. Mrs. Amenta stood and repeated the Oath after Mr. Hagmaier.

To be read by District Notary:

The Oath of Office shall be administered by the District Notary

"I, Kelly Amenta, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey, and defend the constitution of the United States and the constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity."

Mrs. Amenta joined the Board for the remainder of the meeting. President Brown advised Mrs. Amenta that she was eligible to vote on the remaining resolutions before the Board, or may abstain from any vote on which she felt uncomfortable due to lack familiarity with the matter.

Action: 4.4. 2026-2027 Girard School District Calendar Revision

Resolution to approve a revision to the 2026-2027 Girard School District Calendar, as presented.

This motion, made by Joseph Legnasky and seconded by Kelly Fisher, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: abstain

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Mrs. Kelly Amenta abstained and cited lack of information.

Action: 4.5. Approval of Curriculum Revisions

Resolution to approve the K-4 Mathematics Curriculum revisions, as presented.

This motion, made by Joseph Legnasky and seconded by Dan Maher, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: abstain

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Mrs. Kelly Amenta abstained and cited lack of information.

5. Business, Finance & Property

6. Personnel

Action: 6.1. Erin Pizzo - Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Resolution to appoint Erin Pizzo as Director of Pupil Personnel Services, effective retroactive to September 1, 2026, with benefits in accordance with the Administrative Compensation Plan A, Act 93 Agreement, at a salary of \$100,550. (Vacancy due to the voluntary transfer of Greg Proper.).

This motion, made by Joseph Meka and seconded by Richard Brown, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: Abstain

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Mrs. Kelly Amenta abstained and cited lack of information.

Action: 6.2. Matthew Michaels - Appoint Weightlifting Supervisor

Resolution to appoint Matthew Michaels as Weightlifting Supervisor for the 2026-2027 school year at a prorated salary of \$2,665.84 effective retroactive to September 9, 2026. (Vacancy is due to the resignation of Hunter Wade.).

This motion, made by Mike McConnell and seconded by Kelly Fisher, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: Abstain
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Mrs. Kelly Amenta abstained and cited lack of information.

Action: 6.3. ESS Northeast, LLC., Emergency Permit Substitutes for 2026-2027 School Year

Resolution to approve the following ESS Northeast, LLC., Emergency Permit Substitutes for the 2026-2027 School Year:

John Susnik - retroactive to August 19, 2026

This motion, made by Joseph Legnasky and seconded by Mike McConnell, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: Abstain
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Mrs. Kelly Amenta abstained and cited lack of information.

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

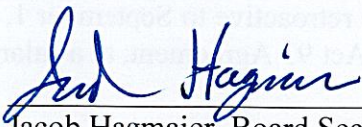
Resolution for Adjournment.

Resolution for Adjournment. This motion, made by Brady Sager and seconded by Richard Brown, Carried.

Richard Brown: Yea, Kelly Fisher: Yea, Joseph Legnasky: Yea, Dan Maher: Yea, Mike McConnell: Yea, Joseph Meka: Yea, Brady Sager: Yea, Melissa Smith: Yea, Kelly Amenta: Yea
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

The September 14, 2026 Girard School District Board of Directors Special Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jacob Hagmaier, Board Secretary