

**Minutes-Tipton R-VI School District
Board of Education Meeting
Central Office Board Room
334 US Hwy. 50 West, Tipton, MO 65081
Regular Meeting, April 16, 2025, 6:00 PM**

Board Members: Craig Wolf-President Bo Helms-Vice President Derek Tuttle David Tuttle Ashley Kliethermes Kelly Kohler Amanda Pettigrew-Outgoing Member Brant Upergrove Dr. Terry Robinson-Superintendent Amy Stover-Board Secretary	Visitors: Ashlee Pettigrew Jason Culpepper Nancy Thomas Roxanne Whitworth Emily Brant Scott Simon Tara Alumbaugh Jen Lennon-in at 6:30 Bridget Bestgen-in at 6:47 Bronc Woodruff
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Prior to the regular meeting: *Correspondence to the Board: Thank you letters and cards

Craig Wolf called the regular meeting to order, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Bo Helms made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Kelly Kohler, 7-0 motion carried.

Bo Helms made a motion to pull D. Annual Approval of policy BBFA: BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE out for discussion in new business, seconded by David Tuttle, 7-0 passed

Bo Helms made a motion to approve the consent agenda, with the exception of D seconded by Dereck Tuttle, 7-0 motion carried.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of regular minutes from March 12, 2025, and March 19, 2025
- b. Approval of bills
- c. Approval of MSBA membership for 2025-2026
- d. Annual Approval of policy BBFA: BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE-(Moved to new business)

Reading of Election Results

Amy Stover, school board secretary, read the results of the April 8th, 2025, election.

SCHOOL BOARD	Moniteau	Morgan	Cooper	Total
Bo Helms	294	52	22	368
Brant Uptergrove	345	61	24	430
Neal Allison	137	33	7	177
Britney Wilson	213	41	13	267

BOND ISSUE	Moniteau	Morgan	Cooper	Total
YES	312 57.99%	54 50%	15 41.66%	381 55.86%
NO	226 42.01%	54 50%	21 58.33%	301 44.13%

FAILED, *needed 57.14% to pass

LEVY INCREASE	Moniteau	Morgan	Cooper	Total
YES	384 71.38%	65 60.74%	27 75%	476 69.89%
NO	154 28.62%	42 39.25%	9 25%	205 30.10%

PASSED, *needed 50% + one vote (simple majority) to pass

Doctor Terry Robinson presented plaques to outgoing board member Ashley Kliethermes.

Bo Helms made a motion to accept the April 2025 election, seconded by Dereck Tuttle, 6-0 motion carried. (This vote was taken before Brant Uptergrove was sworn in.)

Amy Stover, Secretary of the School Board, administered the oath of office to newly elected and reelected board members Robert Helms (reelected) and Brant Uptergrove (newly elected).

Superintendent Dr. Terry Robinson declared the floor open for nominations for **president**.

Bo Helms was nominated for president by Dereck Tuttle and seconded by Brant Uptergrove, Bo Helms was elected by a 6-0 vote, with Bo Helms abstaining from the vote.

Superintendent, Dr. Terry Robinson, declared the floor open for nominations for **vice-president**. Dereck Tuttle was nominated by Kelly Kohler and seconded by Amanda Pettigrew. Dereck was elected by a 6-0 vote, with Dereck Tuttle abstaining from the vote.

Superintendent Dr. Terry Robinson declared the floor open for nominations for **secretary**. Amy Stover was nominated by Bo Helms and seconded by Dereck Tuttle. Amy Stover was elected by a 7-0 majority vote.

Superintendent Dr. Terry Robinson declared the floor open for nominations for **treasurer**. Bo Helms nominated Lisa Bixler for treasurer, and seconded by Amanda Pettigrew. Lisa Bixler was elected by a 7-0 majority vote.

Superintendent Dr. Terry Robinson declared the floor open for nominations for **MSBA delegates**.

Kelly Kohler volunteered to be the **delegate**, and seconded by Dereck Tuttle, Kelly was elected by a 6-0 majority vote. Kelly Kohler abstained from the vote.

Bo Helms volunteered to be the **alternate**, seconded by Amanda Pettigrew. Bo was approved by a 6-0 vote, with Bo Helms abstaining from the vote.

Superintendent's Report

Doctor Terry Robinson presented information on state legislation and SAT calculations. The most current information on how the state is planning to fund the foundation formula was presented.

Administrator Reports

Mrs. Ashlee Pettigrew, Mr. Jason Culpepper, Mrs. Bridget Bestgen, Mr. Steve Carvajal, and Ms. Nancy Thomas were available to answer questions regarding their reports.

Old Business

Craig Wolf made a motion to approve the contract from MSBA for the superintendent search for the 2026-2027 school year to start in the fall of 2025, seconded by David Tuttle, 7-0 motion carried.

A discussion on **teacher salaries** was held. Doctor Robinson cautioned the board to consider some things before passing the new salary schedule, including the state of our facilities. the new salary schedule, assed valuation, the SAT, not hiring everyone yet and the downward trend in enrollment.

Brant Uptergrove made a motion to approve the salary schedule that was presented by Dr. Robinson at the March board meeting, seconded by Amanda Pettigrew, 7-0 motion approved.

A discussion was held on the elimination of the teaching/FBLA position currently being held by Genee Fischer. It was explained that her duties would be absorbed by one of the history teachers (business classes) and the high school art teacher (yearbook classes).

New Business

Board members were presented with MSBA **DFA, DFA-2, DJFA, GBCBB, IGBCA, ADF-1-AP1, DJF-AP1, DJFA-AP1, DJFA-AP2**, and MSBA 2024D policy/procedures, updates, to be read over before the next meeting.

Craig Wolf approved to accept a bid from Jeff Luebbert, Hardwood Floors, in the amount of \$6,300 to recoat the gym floors, seconded by David Tuttle, 7-0 voted carried.

Discussion of Annual Approval of policy BBFA: BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

David Tuttle moved to table this discussion until next month on board policy BBFA seconded by Dereck Tuttle, motion passed 7-0.

Dereck Tuttle moved to adjourn to executive session pursuant to section **610.021(3, and 13)** with the inclusion of Dr. Robinson, Mrs. Bridget Bestgen, Jason Culpepper, and Nancy Thomas, and Ashlee Pettigrew seconded by Kelly Kohler. Roll call vote: Unanimous at 7:20 PM.

- a. **Executive Session:** The Board of Education will meet in the closed session immediately following the regular meeting in compliance with 610.021, RSMo for the following purposes highlighted in **bold** print.
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| 610.021 (1) RSMo | Legal actions involving the district, attorney communications |
| 610.021 (2) RSMo | Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate |
| 610.021 (3) RSMo | Hiring, terminating, disciplining or promoting |
| 610.021 (6) RSMo | Actions or records relating to students |
| 610.021 (9) RSMo | Preparations for negotiations with employee groups |
| 610.021 (11) (12) | Bids specifications, sealed bids |
| 610.021 (13) RSMo | Personnel records, evaluations, applications |
| 610.021 (17) RSMo | Confidential or privileged communications with auditor |

Bo Helms
President

Amy Stover-Secretary
Date Approved: _____