

**Minutes-Tipton R-VI School District  
Board of Education Meeting  
Central Office Board Room  
334 US Hwy. 50 West, Tipton, MO 65081  
Tax Rate Meeting 5:45 PM  
Regular Meeting, August 13, 2025, 6:00 PM**

<b>Board Members:</b> Bo Helms-President Derek Tuttle-Vice President Craig Wolf David Tuttle Brant Uptergrove Kelly Kohler Amanda Pettigrew Amy Stover-Board Secretary	<b>Visitors:</b> Ashlee Pettigrew    Manda Simon Jason Culpepper    Scott Simon Bridget Bestgen    Bronc Woodruff Steve Carvajal    Amanda Petree Sarah Hansen    Jen Lennon Roxanne Whitworth Tara Alumbaugh Courtney Wegman-left @ 6:00PM LJ Hart
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The tax rate hearing started at 5:45 PM.

A public hearing on the tax levy for 2025-2026 was held at 5:45 PM-6:00 PM. The proposed tax levy for 2025-26 is as follows: General Fund \$2.9671, Teacher Fund \$0.5000, Debt Service Fund \$1.0834, and Capital Fund \$0.000 for a total of \$4.5505.

At 6:00 PM, the hearing was adjourned, and the regular meeting was called to order, starting with the pledge of allegiance.

Craig Wolf made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Amanda Pettigrew, 7-0 motion carried.

David Tuttle made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Kelly Kohler, 7-0 motion carried.

Brant Uptergrove abstained from checks 51106, 51101, 51212. Kelly Kohler abstained from check # 51181, and David and Derek Tuttle abstained from approving Deb Tuttle on the sub list. The consent agenda contained the following.

**II. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of minutes from July 23, 2025
- b. Approval of bills June July
- c. Approval of 2025-2026 Subs
- d. Approval of conference admission rates: \$5 for adults, students free

**Presentation**

The CTA, represented by Bronc Woodruff, introduced the new teachers for the year. Sarah Hansen, Amanda Petree, and Dr. Julie Dill were present and were introduced to the school board.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Julie Dill reported on the state of the district and the individuals who worked hard this summer to get the buildings open and ready for the students, and she outlined the back-to-school schedule.

**Administrator Reports** Mrs. Ashlee Pettigrew, Mr. Jason Culpepper, Mrs. Bridget Bestgen, and Mrs. Sarah Hansen were available to highlight and answer questions regarding their reports.

**Old Business**

Kelly Kohler made a motion to approve policies BBBA, IGBI, IGCD, IGCD, IGD, IGDA, and JFCD, seconded by Craig Wolf, 7-0 motion carried.

## New Business

The board made the decision to authorize the establishment of an escrow account with UMB Bank of Kansas City to defease and prepay \$1,600,000 principal amount on March 1, 2028 of the district's callable general obligation refunding and improvement bonds.

Kelly Kohler made a motion to make a **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ESCROW ACCOUNT WITH UMB BANK, N.A. KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI TO DEFEASE AND PREPAY \$1,600,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2021 AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO AN ESCROW AGREEMENT.** Seconded by Derek Tuttle, Roll call vote taken: Bo Helms **YES**, Derek Tuttle **YES**, David Tuttle **YES**, Kelly Kohler **YES**, Brant Uptergrove **YES**, Amanda Pettigrew **YES**, Criag Wolf **YES**, Motion Carried 7-0.

David Tuttle made a motion to approve a total tax levy at \$2.9671, placed in the operating levy, \$0.5000 placed in the teachers fund, and \$1.0834 placed in debt service for the 2025-26 school year. Seconded by Kelly Kohler. Roll call vote taken: Bo Helms **YES**, Derek Tuttle **YES**, David Tuttle **YES**, Kelly Kohler **YES**, Brant Uptergrove **YES**, Amanda Pettigrew **YES**, Craig Wolf **YES**, Motion Carried 7-0

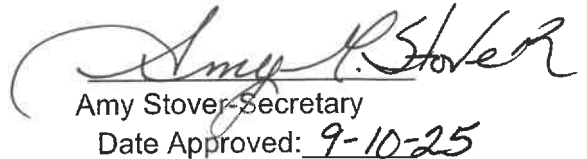
Derek Tuttle moved to adjourn to executive session pursuant to section **610.021(3,13)** seconded by David Tuttle. Roll call vote: Unanimous at 6:27 PM.

- 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**.

610.021 (1) RSMo	Legal actions involving the district, attorney communications
610.021 (2) RSMo	Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate
<b>610.021 (3) RSMo</b>	<b>Hiring, terminating, disciplining or promoting</b>
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
<b>610.021 (13) RSMo</b>	<b>Personnel records, evaluations, applications</b>
610.021 (17) RSMo	Confidential or privileged communications with auditor



Bo Helms  
President



Amy Stover-Secretary  
Date Approved: 9-10-25