

**Minutes-Tipton R-VI School District
Board of Education Meeting
Central Office Board Room
334 US Hwy. 50 West, Tipton, MO 65081**

July 15, 2026, 5:30 PM

Board Members President: Brant Uptergrove Vice President: Derek Tuttle Bo Helms in at 5:37 PM Shelley Higgins Amanda Pettigrew David Tuttle Bob Wolf Secretary: Amy Stover Superintendent: Nathan Bestgen	Visitors: John Downs- MSBA Ashlee Pettigrew Bridget Bestgen Tara Alumbaugh
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Brant Uptergrove called the regular meeting to order, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Derek Tuttle made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Shelley Higgins, 6-0 motion carried.

Administrator Reports

Nathan Bestgen gave a quick report of his first two weeks at Tipton R-VI.

Old Business

No Old Business

New Business

Heartland quotes were presented to the board by Nathan Bestgen.

Bob Wolf made a motion to approve all three Heartland quotes, seconded by Amanda Pettigrew, 4-0 motion carried with Brant Uptergrove and Shelley Higgins abstaining from the vote.

Derek Tuttle moved to adjourn to executive session pursuant to section **610.021(3,13)** with the inclusion of Bridget Bestgen, and Ashlee Pettigrew seconded by Bo Helms. Roll call vote: Unanimous 7-0 at 5:39 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
 - 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

The board went back into open session at 6:05 PM following a closed session meeting. The board did orientation training for boards with new superintendents, with the Missouri School Board Association led by John Downs.



Brant Uptergrove
President



Amy Stover-Secretary

Date Approved: 8-12-16