

River Valley Board of Education
RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
15480 Three Oaks Road
Three Oaks, Michigan 49128
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Special Meeting – RV Middle/High School Library
Monday, January 7, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present: Jennifer Alderink, Phillip Bender, Michael Ehlert, Gail Freehling, John Pawlik, David Whitlow

Members Absent: Vickie Wagner

Administrators Present: Superintendent William Kearney

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pawlik.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

President Pawlik led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 Provide Oath of Office to Newly Elected and Appointed Board Members

Brian Brown, Business Manager/District Election Coordinator, provided the Oath of Office to the following newly elected Board Members: Jennifer Alderink and David Whitlow who will serve a six-year term. Newly appointed Board Member Gail Freehling was also provided the Oath of Office and will serve until the November 2020 elections.

4.0 Approval of Agenda as Presented

Moved by Ehlert, supported by Bender, to approve the agenda for January 7, 2019 Special Board meeting as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.

5.0 Hearing of Persons Present

No public comment was offered.

6.0 Student Disciplinary Hearing

Moved by Ehlert, supported by Alderink, to go into closed session at 7:02 p.m. to conduct a Student Disciplinary Hearing as requested in writing by the Parent of Student #541194 per Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act. Roll Call Vote: Alderink – Aye, Bender – Aye, Ehlert – Aye, Freehling – Aye, Pawlik – Aye, and Whitlow – Aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Moved by Alderink, supported by Bender, to return to open session at 7:53 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Alderink – Aye, Bender – Aye, Ehlert – Aye, Freehling – Aye, Pawlik – Aye, and Whitlow – Aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Moved by Whitlow, supported by Bender, to approve the administrative recommendation to issue a long-term suspension to student #541194, from River Valley School District, for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year for violation of Board Policy 5530 with an effective date retroactive to December 5, 2018. During the term of the long-term suspension, the student is not permitted on school district property. The student may return at the beginning of the 2019-20 school year. Roll Call Vote: Alderink – Aye, Bender – Aye, Ehlert – Nay, Freehling – Aye, Pawlik – Aye, and Whitlow – Aye. Motion carried (5-1).

7.0 Adjournment

Motion by Ehlert, supported by Whitlow, to adjourn the special meeting for January 7, 2019 at 7:59 p.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

David Whitlow, Secretary
River Valley Board of Education

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