

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OTTERVILLE R-VI- BOARD ROOM  
March 19, 2025  
6:00 PM

MEMBERS:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ryan Keele-Google Meet (virtual)  
Sean Main  
Mark Blankenship  
Aaron Berry  
Jessica Helmig  
Ryan Coday

Dan Kruse-Superintendent  
Melissa Stone-Principal  
Traci Schoen-Secretary

The Board of Education met in Regular Session on March 19, 2025 with all members present.

Vice-President Mark Blankenship called the meeting to order.

Correspondence received to the board, Baccalaureate announcement for the graduating class of 2025 for April 17, 2025.

A motion by Aaron Berry, seconded by Jessica Helmig to approve the consent agenda with the addition of ACH payment to Ecolab under New Business. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Ryan Coday to approve the February 2025 financials, the new budget report prepared by Mr. Kruse and the approval to pay the MEUHP assessment. Motion carried 6/0.

Administrative Reports:

1. Principal Report

- a) Attendance; elementary 95.3%, high school 94.7%-overall 95%. (February attendance).
- b) The Special Guest breakfast was well attended.
- c) 12 archers attending state archery competition.
- d) Students will be attending the Spelling Bee in Lincoln March 17, 2025.
- e) The first baseball game is March 21, and the first track meet is April 2.
- f) Working on the Crisis Manual with Cooper County EMA and the Otterville Fire Department.

2. Superintendent Report

- a) Summer maintenance: gravel and tire chips for playground.
- b) The AC project is close to completion.

- c) Discussion on the relocation of the servers and cost.
- d) Annual renewals are being reviewed.
- e) Update on the softball schedule.
- f) A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Jessica Helmig to approve the health plans presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Old Business:

- 1. No business.

New Business:

- a) A motion Ryan Coday, seconded by Jessica Helming to approve the Certified pay scale. Motion carried 6/0.
- b) A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Ryan Coday to hire Ashley Wittman for lawn care \$30.00/hour. Motion carried 6/0.
- c) A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Aaron Berry to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar. Motion carried 6/0.
- d) A motion by Aaron Berry, seconded by Sean Main to approve ACH payment to Ecolab. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion by Jessica Helmig that the meeting be closed under RSMo, Section 610.021, Sub-Section 3 & 13 for the purpose of personnel discussion; RSMo, section 610.021, subsection 6 for the purpose of student issues; RSMo, section 610.021, subsection 1, for the purpose of legal issues; seconded by Ryan Coday. Motion carried 6/0.

Roll call vote followed:

Keele-yea  
Main-yea  
Blankenship-yea  
Berry-yea  
Helmig-yea  
Coday-yea

A motion by Aaron Berry, seconded by Sean Main to Re-Convene to Open Session. Motion carried 6/0. Roll call vote followed:

Keele-yea  
Main-yea  
Blankenship-yea  
Berry-yea  
Helmig-yea  
Coday-yea

The following motions occurred after Re-Convening:

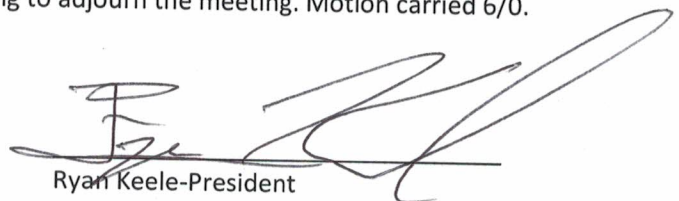
- 1. A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Ryan Coday to accept the resignation of Aleksey Romenskiy at the end of the 2024-2025 school year as the ELA teacher. Motion carried 6/0.
- 2. A motion by Aaron Berry, seconded by Ryan Coday to accept the resignations of Maria Schoen, head softball coach and Emily Taber, assistant softball coach. Motion carried 6/0.
- 3. A motion by Jessica Helmig, seconded by Sean Main to approve the following Non-Tenure contracts for the 2025-2026 school year: Grace Phillips, Hannah Corpening, Faith Komerska,

Cara Harrington, Desirae Nau, Kay Reynolds, Melissa Westphal and Kendra Hudson. Motion carried 6/0.

4. A motion by Jessica Helmig, seconded by Aaron Berry to approve the following Tenure contracts for the 2025-2026 school year: Paige Benny, Jordyn Shirky, Maria Morrison, Ryan Benny, Michell Davis, Doneta Handley, Maria Schoen and Marsha Buescher. Motion carried 6/0.
5. A motion by Jessica Helming, seconded by Ryan Coday to approve a Tenure contract to April Gaskell for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6/0.
6. A motion by Jessica Helmig, seconded by Sean Main to approve a Tenure contract to Michelle Phillips for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6/0.
7. A motion by Sean Main, seconded by Aaron Berry to approve the hiring of Amanda Petree for the Business position for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion by Aaron Berry, seconded by Jessica Helmig to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

  
Traci Schoen, Board Secretary

  
Ryan Keele-President