

GLEN ULLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 26th, 2025

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Multi-Purpose Room 7:00 p.m.

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1. Call To Order:

President Marie Bittner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Glen Ullin School Multi-Purpose Room. A roll call was taken of the board members present: Jill Feser, Andrew Jacobson, Travis Thomas, Landon Hoff and Tony Sifuentes. Also present were Principal: Todd Hetler; Business Manager: Kayla Schumacher. Guests present were Jayda Remboldt, Jen Remboldt, Alice Fitterer, Shannon Kuntz. Online format guests were Amore Van Rensburg, Brandt Dick and Lora Voegele.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

Jill Feser made the motion to approve the agenda. Travis Thomas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Landon Hoff – yea, Travis Thomas – yea, Tony Sifuentes – yea, Andrew Jacobson – yea, and Jill Feser – yea. Motion carried.

3. Items for Discussion | Possible Action Agenda:

A. Discussion and Possible Action to move to 5-person Board

Discussion was held on the option of going from a 7 person Board to a 5 person Board. There would have to be an election with this option for the public, which may also be held with the regular elections in June. The 5 person Ballot would be 2 members at large.

Travis Thomas made the motion to approve 5-person board. Tony Sifuentes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Landon Hoff – yea, Travis Thomas – yea, Tony Sifuentes – yea, Andrew Jacobson – yea, and Jill Feser – yea. Motion carried.

B. Discussion for 2025-2026 Budget Planning and Prep:

Mr. Dick presented the board with where we are at with the budget. As of now we are sitting at 50.76 % of expenditure for the year.

He also mentioned that there are 2 Bills that were in legislation that

would benefit our school if they are passed by the Senate. Developing enrollment seems to be our biggest challenge.

Discussion was held on the CDE classes, if the bill passes, they will limit the number of students that are taking the classes. With the number of students that are taking the CDE classes, discussion was held the school would pay for the first time the student takes the class, but if they do not pass the class the parent would be responsible.

Andrew Jacobson made a spreadsheet to compare our expenses to Hebron's for the lunch program. We still are looking at the possibility of \$50,000.00 in the negative for the lunch program for the school year.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The next item on the agenda is teacher negotiations strategy. This item may be discussed in an executive session only when an open meeting would have an adverse fiscal effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the board. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is NDCC Section 44-04-19.1(9). The topic or purpose of this executive session is teacher negotiations strategy. Call for Motion for executive session to discuss negotiations strategy. Legal authority: NDCC Section 44-04-19.1(9)

Andrew Jacobson made the motion to go into executive session. Tony Sifuentes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Landon Hoff – yea, Travis Thomas – yea, Tony Sifuentes – yea, Andrew Jacobson – yea, and Jill Feser – yea. Motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 7:51 pm. All present were Marie Bittner, Andrew Jacobson, Travis Thomas, Landon Hoff, Tony Sifuentes, Brandt Dick and Kayla Schumacher.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:16 pm.

Based on the discussion in executive session, the board approved Brandt Dick to take action on the reduction of classified staff.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

Tony Sifuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 pm. Jill Feser seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. REMINDER: Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting, Wednesday, March 12th, 2025, at 7 pm.

The preceding minutes were approved the 12th day of March 2025.

Marie Bittner, School Board President

Kayla Schumacher, Business Manager