

MINUTES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #325 MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

The Board of Education of Phillipsburg USD 325 met in regular session on Monday, October 13, 2025 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Office, 240 S. 7th Street, Phillipsburg. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Shawn Hoover, President; Danielle Bohl, member; Rick Dusin, member; Jesse Pfortmiller, member; Justin Taylor, member; and Tyson Wisinger, member, Brock Johnson, Vice-President, was absent.

Officials present: Michael Gower, Superintendent; and Angela Thompson, Clerk.

Other interested persons: Crystal Laurin, Elementary Principal; and Todd Bowman, High School Principal.

CALL TO ORDER Shawn Hoover, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Shawn Hoover moved the consent agenda including minutes of the September 8, 2025 regular meeting, treasurer's report, warrants, and items added to the agenda be approved as presented. Jesse Pfortmiller seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS None

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

None

REPORT TO THE BOARD BY THE

SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent informed the Board that the official enrollment for this year is 522.1 FTE, and the classification is 2A for football and 3A for all other activities.

The Superintendent reviewed the recent school accreditation meeting, highlighting the emphasis on the core skills of reading, writing, speaking, thinking, listening, and problem solving.

Mr. Gower presented an offer for the purchase of property near the elementary school playground. Following discussion, the Board determined the district should keep the property.

NEW BUSINESS

CURRICULUM CYCLE

APPROVAL

Mr. Gower presented the updated Curriculum Cycle for approval. Art, Music, FACS, Agriculture, and Industrial Arts will be updated this year. Following discussion, Jesse Pfortmiller moved the Board approve the Curriculum Cycle as recommended. Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (A copy of the Curriculum Cycle is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

2025-2026 LOCAL CONSOLIDATED PLAN REVIEW

Mr. Gower reviewed the local consolidated plan, approved amounts, and explained what the federal funds are used for including Title I Reading and Title II Professional Development.

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NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

PERSONNEL

Shawn Hoover moved the Board enter into executive session for a period of 15 minutes, until 6:30 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual or individuals. Mr. Gower was asked to be present. Justin Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:30 p.m.

Shawn Hoover moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes, until 6:41 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower was asked to remain. Jesse Pfortmiller seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:41 p.m.

Shawn Hoover moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes, until 6:52 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower was asked to remain. Rick Dusin seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:52 p.m. No action taken.

RESIGNATION

Tyson Wisinger moved the Board accept the following resination:

Rice, Marirae – High School Cheer Co-Sponsor effective September 16, 2025

Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

REQUEST FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES Information

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Hoover adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED:

MINUTES RECORDED:

DATE: