

**Turkey Valley Community School**  
**Jackson Junction IA 52171**

The Turkey Valley School Board met in a regular session on Monday, November 13, 2023. The meeting was held in the Elementary Meeting Room at Turkey Valley School, Jackson Junction, IA. Ernie Schmitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following Board Directors answered roll call: Leon Shatek, Katie Stika, Don Blazek Jr, Ernie Schmitt and Jody Steinlage.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Stika to approve the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Shatek and seconded by Steinlage to approve the consent agenda items. Board Minutes: October 9, 2023, regular meeting. Resignations: Shelbie Balk - varsity volleyball coach and Jerry Vrzak - bus driver; Appointments: Ashley Walz - volunteer girls basketball coach and Adam Hanson - volunteer boys basketball coach. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Stika to approve the financial reports and bills. General Fund \$188,377.91, Clearing \$39,087.57, Hot Lunch \$18,034.53, PPEL \$4,185.74, Carried unanimously.

Senior Career Students introduced themselves and observed the meeting.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Steinlage to approve Electronic Engineering's quote of \$5,848.77 for a radio repeater, antenna, and equipment including install and updating of bus and handheld radios. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Shatek and seconded by Stika to approve the second reading of board policy series 900. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Steinlage to approve the second reading of board policies 505.8 and 505.8(R) 1. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Stika to approve the early graduation for Adriana Tiedt pending the completion of all classes and credit requirements. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Steinlage to deny the request for eligibility waiver for an open enrolled out student. Carried unanimously.

Schools can request a Modified Supplemental Amount for each student who has been receiving Limited English Proficient (LEP) Instruction beyond 5 years. This is not cash, but it adds to our UAB (unspent authorized budget). Moved by Shatek and seconded by Blazek to approve the resolution as follows: The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of \$6,715.00 related to the English language learning program for students who have exceeded five years of weighting that are included on the Fall 2023 certified enrollment headcount. Ayes 5 Nays 0. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0

Schools can request a Modified Supplemental Amount for increased enrollment this year, students who weren't on our count last year but we serve them and for each student who open-enrolled out this year, but were not on our count last year. This is not cash, but it adds to our UAB. Moved by Blazek and seconded by Stika to approve the resolution as follows: The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for \$11,318.00 for increased enrollment and a modified supplemental amount of \$114,909.00 for open enrolled out students who were not included in the district's previous year certified enrollment. Ayes 5 Nays 0. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0

Moved by Shatek and seconded by Stika to approve the adjusted SBRC request for Special Education Deficit. The district's administration is authorized to submit an adjusted request to the School Budget Review Committee for \$279,166.94 for the district's special education deficit. Ayes 5 Nays 0. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0

Moved by Shatek and seconded by Steinlage to approve the SBRC request for spending authority back from excess costs in the LEP program. The district's administration is authorized to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for \$5,153 for excess costs in the district's LEP Program. Ayes 5 Nays 0. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Shatek to offer the Early Departure Notification Incentive for certified staff. The details are as follows: 1) Persons 55 or older, 2) Let us know they're leaving by December 31, 2023, 3) \$50.00 per unused sick days remaining at the end of the school year and 4) Amount paid after July 1, 2024. The district will decide if it's paid into an HRA or other appropriate account. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Shatek and seconded by Stika to approve the Return to Learn Plan as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Steinlage to approve the ESSER plan as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Blazek and seconded by Stika to table the Laser Engraver/Cutter for Industrial Technology purchase. There was no quote available at meeting time. Carried unanimously.

Mrs. Hoy updated the board on the many happenings at Turkey Valley. A big thank you to Jackie Hageman, Michelle Nystel and Dan Stepan for their work to put together a wonderful Veterans Day Program. Mr. Troyna implemented a new camera program to stream sports, concerts and other Turkey Valley events. Thank you for this new system. Mrs. Hoy updated the board on the math and literacy programs. This new curriculum involves critical thinking and reasoning not just memorization. The staff is committed to it. They are putting in the extra time to implement these programs but the new curriculum can't be taught or learned overnight. Board President Schmitt thanked the staff for pushing forward with these programs. They are not easy but they are the right choice for our students.

Mr. Jurrens presented The Iowa School Performance Profiles data to the board. He informed the board that 14 dead ash trees were removed from the school grounds and we are collaborating with John Kraus, Lake Meyer, on a grant to replace them. Congratulations to the Robotics Club who received a \$1,250.00 grant from the Argosy Foundation being distributed by Hack Club Back.

Thank you to the Al King family for the generous donations in his name. \$1000.00 to both the Turkey Valley Athletic Boosters and to the lunch program for accounts in need. This generous gift reflects Al's love for Turkey Valley and it is greatly appreciated.

The next regular school board meeting will be held on Monday December 11, 2023 @ 7:00 PM.

Moved by Steinlage and seconded by Stika to adjourn at 7:51PM. Carried unanimously.

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President

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Secretary