TREYNOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT – APPROVED
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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
High School Flex Room
Monday, October 13, 2025 – 6:30 P.M.

Mission Statement

The goal of the Treynor School Board of Education is that every child succeeds. The Board promises to provide necessary policies, programs, procedures, and resources to support a culture that respects the individual needs of every child; to provide a safe, caring, creative, and engaging learning environment; to promote social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development; and to provide an ethical, respectful, competent, and compassionate staff that values students' rights and helps students become ethical, respectful, competent, and productive members of the community.

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by President Vorthmann at 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Ms. Olson, Mr. Christensen, Mr. Vorthmann, Mr. Dreyer, and Mr. Stogdill — all members present.

Agenda Approval: Motion by Mr. Dreyer and seconded by Mr. Stogdill to approve the agenda. Vote 5–0. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Hearing – Internet Safety Policy (AUP) for E-rate CIPA Compliance

President opened the public hearing on the district's Internet Safety Policy (AUP). Key CIPA items reviewed: (a) policy adoption and enforcement (Board Policy 605.6R1 – CardinalNet AUP), (b) technology protection measures using Lightspeed to filter harmful content, and (c) documentation of public notice and hearing.

Public Comment: None submitted; no speakers. Hearing closed.

3. Recognition of Visitors & Open Forum

No visitors signed up to speak.

4. Student Council Representatives – Oath

Per board practice, Student Council leaders were seated as non-voting board representatives. Oath administered to Student Council President Jude Mieska and Vice President Hailey Bothwell. Board encouraged student input during discussions.

5. Good News – Raising the Red "C"

Recognition: Jennifer Young (Preschool Teacher) was honored for exemplary service and leadership in establishing and elevating the preschool program. Administration highlighted a recent audit reflecting 100% on preschool standards.

6. Consent Agenda

Included: Prior minutes; bills (General, Management, SAVE & Debt, Activity, Nutrition); financial statements (fund financials and cash position); fundraisers (Junior Class – 30PoP!, Poinsettia – Music Dept., MS Leadership Academy); personnel actions (Resignation: Brad Carman – Night Custodian; Hire: Jonathon Quackenbush – Night Custodian).

Action: Motion by Mr. Christensen and seconded by Ms. Olson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote 5–0. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Reports & Communication Items

7.1 Career EdVantage (Avenue Scholars) – Presentation

Overview by program lead (Chris Grawler) and participating students. Program now serves 12 schools, supports CTE pathways (trades, healthcare, culinary, IT) with mentorship, industry tours, job shadowing, paid internships, and concurrent enrollment leading to debt-free paths at Iowa Western. Emphasis on weekly coaching, grade checks, and employability skills. Student remarks highlighted early credentialing, tools/equipment support, and job placement. Student spotlights (from discussion): Ryan Wilson (automotive), James Vannevar (electrical apprenticeship – ABC Electric), and Emma (culinary – current work at Nothing Bundt Cakes; second-year culinary student).

7.2 Elementary School Report

Professional learning focus on PLC+ and CHAMPS; walkthrough letters shared. Red Ribbon Week upcoming. FAST math and reading (Fall) show strong starts with most classes ≥80% on-track; color-coding correction noted on one spring chart. Interventions continue K-8 based on fall/winter/spring checkpoints.

7.3 MS/HS School Report

Walkthroughs emphasized student understanding via three prompts: What are you learning? Why? How will you know you learned it? Observed high engagement across classes. Fall FAST data discussed by grade; targeted interventions include study-hall and 7th-hour models, workshop structures, and pull-outs as needed. College & career activities: college fairs and campus visits (Creighton, UNO, etc.). 'Choices Matter' safety assembly delivered to grades 7–12.

7.4 Director's Report (Operations Highlights)

TimeClock Plus implemented for time tracking (integration with payroll). Sub-tracking workflow updated. Facilities/transportation updates shared; driver pipeline progressing.

7.5 IDEA Differentiated Accountability Rubric 2025

Reviewed four weighted categories: Secondary Transition, Child Find, Academic Success, Social-Emotional. District performs above state averages in most indicators and is in a top performance category. Note: Attendance metric where 'below state average' can be favorable (lower absenteeism).

7.6 Iowa School Performance Profile (2025)

District highlights: Elementary and Middle School rated High-Performing; High School rated Exceptional (top tier). Comprehensive metrics include proficiency, growth, attendance, graduation, and post-secondary readiness. Discussion emphasized sustaining excellence and improving growth via in-class intervention, rigorous assessments, and acceleration pathways (e.g., earlier Comp I/II, potential AP options).

8. Discussion / Information / Review Items

First Reading of Policies (Series 505, 506, 507, 508). Items 507.1 and 507.2 pending legal review. Recommend moving 508.3 and 508.4 to student handbooks (non-IASB policies).

Student Enrollment: Certified count trending to 804 (+5). Open-enroll in/out patterns shifting as neighbors expand offerings. Residential growth (36–38 lots) expected to contribute to future enrollment.

Facilities Update: New LED lighting installed in MS/HS East & West gyms (three-day project). Elem. 3rd-grade pod HVAC compressor failure; bids being sought for full unit replacement due to prior experience with 1st/2nd-grade pods.

Baseball/Softball: I-beams delivered; scoreboard installation scheduled. Softball clubhouse/press-box plans reviewed; project donor-funded; target to enclose this fall and complete interior through winter.

9. Discussion and Action Items

Second Reading – Series 503 & 504: 503.1–503.10; 504.1–504.8. No changes from first read.

Action: Motion by Ms. Olson and seconded by Mr. Stogdill to approve the second reading of policies from the 503's and 504's. Vote 5–0. Motion passed unanimously.

Timberline Billing Service Agreement – Medicaid Billing: District expects Medicaid-eligible nursing services; Timberline engaged to manage compliant billing.

Action: Motion by Mr. Dreyer and seconded by Mr. Christensen to approve the Timberline Billing Service Agreement. Vote 5–0. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Superintendent's Report

National School Lunch Week (Oct. 13–17). Highlight Page and Facebook ad metrics reviewed (broad community reach for $105 spend). Alumni database survey in development with Alumni Association. IASB Convention logistics: Pre-Con Nov. 19 (rooms for Nov. 18), Convention Nov. 20 (rooms as needed), President's Meeting Nov. 21 (room reserved Nov. 20). Potential conflict noted if state football advances.

11. Next Meeting

Regular Board Meeting: Monday, November 10, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. in the High School Flex Room.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Olson and seconded by Mr. Stogdill to adjourn. Vote 5–0. Motion passed unanimously.
Adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Brandon Vorthmann –President Date: 10/13/2025

Matt VanHorn – Board Secretary Date: 10/13/2025