## REGULAR MEETING OF THE RAVENNA BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

## September 8, 2025 High School Bulldog Room 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Joshua Emery. Present: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel.
- 2. Motion by Pierson, Support by Becklin to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.
- 3. Motion by Pierson, Support by Rosel to approve the Consent Agenda. Items on the Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approve the Board of Education Regular Minutes from August 11, 2025
  - b. Approve the Hire of Monte Gerwig, Middle School Cross Country Coach
  - c. Accept the Resignation of Gera Wier, Beechnau Administrative Assistant
  - d. Accept the Resignation of Wendy Kloostra, Non Instructional Paraprofessional
  - e. Approve the Hire of Wendy Kloostra, Beechnau Administrative Assistant
  - f. Approve the Hire of Angie VanEns, Full Time Non Instructional Paraprofessional
  - g. Accept the Resignation of Angie VanEns, Tuition Preschool Director/Teacher
  - h. Accept the Resignation of Angelia Hammond, Custodian
  - i. Approve the Hire of Samantha Kella, Custodian
  - j. Approve the Hire of Ashley Noble, Full Time Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional
  - k. Approve the Hire of Brooke Flanery, Full Time Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional
  - Approve the Hire of Cindy Spoelman, Part Time Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional and Part Time Non Instructional Para
  - m. Approve Jamie Hawkins, moving from Full Time to Part Time Special Education Instructional Paraprofessional
  - Accept the Resignation of Heather Westbrook, School Social Worker
  - o. Approve Tenure Status for Marion Porter and Dana Wyant
  - p. Approve FFA Overnight Events
  - q. Acknowledge the 2025/2026 2026/2027 METS Addendum and Extension

Ayes: Ayes: Bob Becklin, Becki Deater, Joshua Emery, Mark Jacobs, Ryan Jawor, Mike Pierson and Fred Rosel. Motion carried 7-0.

## Correspondence

- a. Letter from State Superintendent Michael Rice congratulating the district on the passing of their non-homstead millage was shared.
- 5. Reports
  - a. None
- Superintendent Report
  - Student Enrollment Numbers were shared. The budget for 2025-2026 is based on 980 enrollment.

b. Superintendent Helmer expressed gratitude to the Operations/Maintenance/Transportation Departments for a great start to the school year. Ryun Landheer, Chadd Warren and Brian Zilka were acknowledged for their hard work and dedication.

## 7. School Bond Campaign

- a. Superintendent Helmer shared and gave editing rights to a spreadsheet listing possible members for a Community Engagement Committee. Board members will each add 5-7 names to the list. The district is looking for a cross section of the community. Triangle will use the list in their marketing campaign. President Emery asked that Board members add to the list before the end of the week.
- b. Timeline for bond election on May 5, 2026 was shared with the Board members.
- c. Superintendent Helmer reported on a stakeholder meeting that was held with Triangle Construction, Thrun Law Firm, PFM Financial Advisors, Tower Pinkster, and district staff.
- d. Superintendent Helmer shared millage schedules and a debt millage graphic with Board members.
- 8. Old Business
  - a. None
- 9. New Business
  - a. None
- 10. Public comment was heard.

11. Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent. 7:14 p.m.

Joshua Emery, President

Michael Pierson, Secretary