

Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education regular meeting of the Crofton Community School was held on Monday, April 13, 2026 at 6:30 pm, with the following attendance: **Present:** Jayne Arens, Jeremy Buschkamp, Amy Hoffman, Michael Janssen, Craig Marsh, Lisa Van Heek. Present: 6.

The motion was made by Jeremy Buschkamp and seconded by Michael Janssen to declare the meeting open and properly advertised by the certificate attached to these minutes. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Amy Hoffman and seconded by Michael Janssen to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Ms. Higgins, Mr. Ostermeyer, Miss Kramer, and Mr. Wragge, provided their reports to the Board members.

A Hausmann Construction representative presented the board with the costs of the project, in order for the Board to be able to approve their guaranteed maximum price (GMP). Discussion was held on different aspects of the information that was presented.

The motion was made by Jayne Arens and seconded by Amy Hoffman to approve their guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for the project, as presented, at \$8,125,961.00. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Discussion was held, and quotes were reviewed for the purchase of a new lawn mower. The board decided to wait on the purchase, and to run the current mower another year.

The motion was made by Craig Marsh and seconded by Jayne Arens to approve the re-designation of the depreciation funds for technology, equipment and transportation. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Lisa Van Heek and seconded by Michael Janssen to accept the resignation of Bob Evans, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Jayne Arens and seconded by Jeremy Buschkamp to approve the teaching contract of Elijah Strom, as HS Industrial Technology Teacher for 2026-2027, on the condition that he is released from his Hartington-Newcastle School contract. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Craig Marsh and seconded by Lisa Van Heek to approve the renewal of the financial consulting services agreement with Carl Dietz, as presented, for one year for \$2,500.00. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Amy Hoffman and seconded by Jayne Arens to approve Mr. Ostermeyer's and Ms. Higgin's contracts for 2026-2027, with salary and benefits, as presented. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The motion was made by Craig Marsh and seconded by Lisa Van Heek to approve Mr. Wragge's contract, with salary and benefits, as presented. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Mr. Wragge presented a quote from Sterling for new switches and access points. He explained that we would be using our cost shared E-Rate funds for this purchase. E-rate pays 60% and the district would pay 40%, so our cost is \$5,033.16 of the \$12,582.90 quote.

The motion was made by Craig Marsh and seconded by Amy Hoffman to approve the quote from Sterling for new switches and access points, with the use of our cost share E-Rate funds, as presented, for \$12,582.90. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Mr. Wragge reviewed construction notes with the board members showing the additional projects included in the scope of the project, and also discussing the above-ground tank for fire suppression, the pending alternate projects, and the value engineering goal. Mr. Wragge also reviewed the funds on hand with the board members.

Mr. Wragge reviewed the track and field project, pertaining to the anonymous donation of funds of \$126,000.00, with a bid on the project of \$123,953.00

The motion was made by Lisa Van Heek and seconded by Amy Hoffman to set the next meeting for May 11, 2026, at 6:30 pm, and to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. The motion passed by the following roll call vote. Passed - Jayne Arens: Yea, Jeremy Buschkamp: Yea, Amy Hoffman: Yea, Michael Janssen: Yea, Craig Marsh: Yea, Lisa Van Heek: Yea; Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Dana Wortmann, Acting Secretary