

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2022 7:30 PM

Elementary Media Center, Twin River Public
School
816 Willard Ave
PO Box 640
Genoa, NE 68640

Agenda

1. Meeting Called to Order
 - 1.1. Roll Call
 - 1.1.1. Excused/Unexcused Absences
 - 1.2. Open Meeting Law
 - 1.3. Meeting Properly Published and Posted
 - 1.4. Rules for Public Participation Stated
 - 1.4.1. Visitors
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
4. Treasurer's Financial Report
5. Approval of Claims
6. Special Presentations
 - 6.1. FCCLA
 - 6.2. KSB School Law
 - 6.3. Clark and Enerson Architects
 - 6.4. First National Capital Markets (Municipal Agent)
7. Reports of Administrators and Committees
 - 7.1. Principal's Reports
 - 7.2. Activities Report
 - 7.3. Superintendent Report

7.4. Board of Education Committee Report(s)

8. Old Business

9. New Business

9.1. Consider and Take Possible Action to Accept Resignation(s)

9.2. Consider and Take Possible Action to Approve New Hire(s)

9.3. Consider and take possible action to approve the sick leave donation for Kara Thompson.

10. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

11. Executive Session

12. Adjournment

Budget Hearing
Elementary Media Center, Twin River Public School
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Monday, September 19, 2022 7:15 PM

David Baxa: Present
John Nelson: Present
Dan Preister: Present
John Reeg: Present
Jennifer Swantek: Present
Chelsa Thompson: Absent

1. Meeting Called to Order

1.1. Open Meeting Law

1.2. Meeting Properly Published and Posted

2. Roll Call

2.1. Excused/Unexcused Absences

Motion to approve the absence of Chelsa Thompson Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by Dan Preister.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

3. Special hearing for the purpose of receiving public input on the 2022-23 Twin River Public Schools Budget.

Mr. Schapmann reviewed the budget summary for the 2022-2023 school year. The budgeted disbursements and transfers for 2022-2023 are as follows-General Fund in the amount of \$11,411,972, the Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$628,907, the Employee Benefit Fund in the amount of \$35,319, the Activities Fund in the amount of \$501,251, the School Nutrition Fund in the amount of \$561,176, the Special Building Fund in the amount of \$1,235,053, the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund in the amount of \$134,355, and the Student Fee Fund in the amount of \$1,240.

3.1. Public Input for 2022-23 Twin River Schools Budget.

No input was given by the public.

4. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by Dan Preister.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Jennifer Swantek, Board President

Dan Preister, Board Secretary

Tax Request Hearing

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Monday, September 19, 2022 , to follow the Budget Hearing

David Baxa: Present
John Nelson: Present
Dan Preister: Present
John Reeg: Present
Jennifer Swantek: Present
Chelsa Thompson: Absent

1. Meeting Called to Order

1.1. Open Meeting Law

1.2. Meeting Properly Published and Posted

2. Roll Call

2.1. Excused/Unexcused Absences

Motion to excuse the absence of Chelsa Thompson Passed with a motion by John Reeg and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

3. Special Hearing for the purpose of receiving public input on the 2022-23 Twin River Public Schools Tax Request

Mr. Schapmann gave a breakdown of the Taxable Valuations-2020-21 Taxable Valuation: \$966,594,810, 2021-22 Taxable Valuation: \$1,001,510,733, and 2022-2023 Taxable Valuation: \$1,027,194,990 (1.03% increase). Mr. Schapmann reviewed the Historical Levies: 2018-19: \$.697791, 2019-20: \$.780537, 2020-21: \$.823677, 2021-22: \$.828849, 2022-23: \$.823339. The Tax Asking is as follows: 2020-21: \$7,961,616, 2021-22: \$8,301,010, and 2022-23: \$8,457,295 (1.88% increase). The levy breakdown for 2021-22-General Fund: \$.799096/ Special Building Fund: \$.029753, and the levy breakdown for 2022-23-General Fund: \$.747353 and Special Building Fund: \$.075986).

3.1. Public Input for 2022-23 Twin River Schools Tax Asking

No input was given by the public.

4. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by John Reeg.
David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Jennifer Swantek, Board President

Dan Preister, Board Secretary

Board of Education Regular Meeting

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Monday, September 19, 2022, to follow the Tax Request Hearing

David Baxa: Present
John Nelson: Present
Dan Preister: Present
John Reeg: Present
Jennifer Swantek: Present
Chelsa Thompson: Absent

1. Meeting Called to Order

1.1. Open Meeting Law

1.2. Meeting Properly Published and Posted

1.3. Rules for Public Participation Stated

2. Roll Call

2.1. Excused/Unexcused Absences

Motion to excuse the absence of Chelsa Thompson Passed with a motion by Dan Preister and a second by John Reeg.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by Dan Preister.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to approve minutes of previous meetings Passed with a motion by Dan Preister and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

5. Visitors

Visitors voiced concerns to the board in regards to cutting transportation routes and eliminating the JH after-school activity transportation. Parents of JH students and upcoming JH students feel it is important to provide transportation for students back to their hometowns in Silver Creek and Monroe following junior high sports practices. Parents reached out to other school districts

that are coop schools, and they provide transportation for their students back to the hometowns they reside in following practices. Some students do not get the opportunity to participate in activities because there is no transportation provided. Parents work in surrounding towns and are unable to leave work, or they have to use up their PTO time to drive several miles to transport their children or other children. Parents also expressed many times that no child should be left behind. Parents feel this is an unnecessary cut made by the district. Many parents brought forward safety concerns and do not feel comfortable with their child having a school permit at the age of 14 and driving on the highway for miles to get home from practices. Parents residing outside of the Genoa city limits and residents of both Monroe and Silver Creek with students at Twin River asked the board to please take everything into consideration that they brought forward this evening and bring back the afterschool activity route for the JH students. Parents expressed appreciation for free admission to home activities and said that is a step in the right direction for student involvement.

6. Program Spotlight: Mr. Tejral and FFA

Mr. Tejral asked the board to help fund the FFA national trip for FFA members Clara Preister and Logan Kershaw that earned a spot to participate at FFA Nationals in Indiana this October.

7. Treasurer's Financial Report

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Financial Report Passed with a motion by John Nelson and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Mr. Schapmann spoke about expenditures for the month. Expenditures were higher for the month due to a once-year payment for Alicap and the early retirement funds were transferred to the depreciation fund. Lunch expenditures were \$11,836.49 and activity expenditures were \$6,690.25. Mr Schapmann said expenditures for the lunch program will increase due to federal funding ending for free meals for all students.

8. Approval of Claims

Motion to approve claims Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by John Nelson.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

9. Old Business

No old business.

10. New Business

No new business.

10.1. Consider and Take Possible Action to Accept Resignation(s)

No resignations at this time.

10.2. Consider and Take Possible Action to Approve New Hire(s)

There are no new hires.

10.3. Consider and take possible action to approve the 2022-2023 Tax Request Resolution for Twin River Public Schools

Motion to approve the 2022-2023 Tax Request Resolution for Twin River Public Schools Passed with a motion by Dan Preister and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

If the Governing Body of a political subdivision seeks to set its property tax request at an amount that exceeds its property tax request in its prior year, it may do so after holding a public hearing required in subsection (3) of this section and by passing a resolution or ordinance that complies with subsection (4) of this section. WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of Twin River Public School passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Twin River Public School resolves that:

1. The 2022-2023 property tax request be set at:

General Fund: \$ 7,676,768.00

Bond Fund: \$ -

Special Building Fund: \$ 780,527.00

Qualified Capital Purpose \$ -

Undertaking Fund:

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 2.56 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.808124 per \$100 of assessed value.

4. Twin River Public School proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.823339 per \$100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Twin River Public School will increase (or decrease) last year's budget by 18.5 percent.

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2022.

10.4. Consider and take possible action to approve the 2022-23 budget for all funds as presented in the Budget Hearing.

Motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Twin River Public Schools Budget as presented. The General Fund in the amount of \$11,411,972, the Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$628,907, the Employee Benefit Fund in the amount of \$35,319, the Activities Fund in the amount of \$501,251, the School Nutrition Fund in the amount of \$561,176, the Special Building Fund in the amount of \$1,235,053, the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund in the amount of \$134,355, and the Student Fee Fund in the amount of \$1,240. Passed with a motion by John Nelson and a second by Dan Preister.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

10.5. Consider and take possible action to approve the property tax rate request for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion to approve the property tax rate request for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the Tax Request for the General Fund should be, and hereby set at \$7,676,768; and (2) the Tax Request for the Special Building Fund should be, and hereby set at \$780,527. Total Tax Request for the two funds will be \$8,457,295. Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by John Reeg. David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

10.6. Consider and take possible action to amend the staff handbook to change classified leave to reflect current practices and adjust meal prices to current rates.

Motion to amend the staff handbook to change classified leave to reflect current practices and adjust meal prices to current rates. Passed with a motion by John Reeg and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Mr. Schapmann reviewed the following changes made to the 2022-23 Handbook. Classified Leave- Holidays- Classified employees will receive paid time off on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, the Monday following Easter, and Christmas Day. 12 month employees will also be paid for Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, and the day after Thanksgiving. Holidays falling on a Saturday are normally observed on the preceding Friday. Holidays falling on a Sunday are normally observed on the following Monday. Classified employees will generally be required to work their regularly scheduled hours the workday preceding and workday following the holiday in order to be eligible to receive holiday pay. Sick Leave Classified employees will receive 10 days of sick leave starting at the beginning of the new work agreement. A staff member who is too ill to come to work, or who has a qualifying family member who is too ill to be left alone, must notify his or her immediate supervisor at least three hours prior to the time he/she regularly reports to work. Sick leave may accumulate up to 30 days for 9-month employees and 35 days for 12-month employees. Classified employees shall not be paid for accrued unused sick days at the end of the school year or in the event of termination of employment. Use of Leave Classified employees must use their personal, vacation and/or applicable leave prior to taking days without pay or docking their pay. 12-month classified employees scheduled to work on days without students or days assigned to be present at work must use leave to be absent from their assigned duties. Following the exhaustion of all applicable leave, classified employees will be subject to leave without pay/docked pay. Employees abusing days without pay will be subject to termination.

Adult Meal Prices- Meal/No Milk: \$3.80 Meal w/Milk: \$4.25 Milk: \$.45

10.7. Consider and Take Possible Action to Approve Twin River Education Association (TREA) as the sole bargaining unit for certified staff for the 2024-25 school year.

Motion to approve Twin River Education Association (TREA) as the sole bargaining unit for certified staff for the 2024-25 school year. Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by Dan Preister.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

10.8. First reading of Board Policy 4057: Superintendent Evaluation. Consider and take possible action to revise the policy.

Motion to revise Board Policy 4057: Superintendent Evaluation Passed with a motion by Dan Preister and a second by John Reeg.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Superintendent Evaluation will take place in November instead of October.

10.9. Consider and take action to approve the superintendent evaluation tool.

Motion to approve the superintendent evaluation tool Passed with a motion by David Baxa and a second by John Reeg.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

10.10. Consider and take possible action to approve the quote for purchasing Macbook Air computers for staff to carry out items listed in the ESSER plan.

Motion to approve the quote for purchasing Macbook Air computers for staff to carry out items listed in the ESSER plan. Passed with a motion by John Reeg and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

10.11. Consider and take possible action to declare old, unrepairable, and unusable books as surplus.

Motion to declare old, unrepairable, and unusable books as surplus Passed with a motion by John Reeg and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

11. Reports of Administrators and Committees

11.1. Principal's Reports

Pre-K thru 6th grade Principal Report:

- ICU- Elementary grades 4th-6th follow guidelines. School Mental Health Team- Team met this summer at the ESU7 for a 3 day in-service. A grant will be used to purchase curriculum for 7th-12th grade.
- Assessments- Acaidence August 24th-26th -K-6th grade- NWEA-MAPS | September 6th-9th - K-2nd grade - NSCAS Growth | September 6th-9th - 3rd-6th grade - PELI
- September 12th – PreK Parent/Teacher Conferences - August 13th and 14th - Kindergarten-6th grade had about 94% turnout.

7th-12th grade Principal Report:

- NSCAS Fall Testing

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Principal Cluster at ESU 7 on September 12
- End of 1st Quarter October 14

11.2. Activities Report

All fall activities are up and running full force. Sports current records are as follows: Football is 1-3 currently (JV is 0-1). Despite the record, 8-man football has given us opportunities to gain confidence against some quality competition. Coaching has been positive and developmental, which will help us long-term. Volleyball is 2-8 currently. We're a young team that has a lot of room to grow. Improvement from previous years (in talking with the coaches) is evident. Softball is 11-10 currently and the last leg of their season upcoming. It's been great to see their improvement as well, given 1 senior on the team and many underclassmen making contributions. Cross Country is about halfway through their season and in a couple of meets, they had some medal winners. Recently, our junior high runners participated in the Oakland-Craig junior high meet with all the runners doing quite well, according to Coach Tracy. FCCLA recently held their scavenger hunt for the food pantry. FFA has participated in a few events: Range judging, State Fair, Husker Harvest Days. JH Football and Volleyball have begun. JH Volleyball has had a great start to their season, getting experience for all involved. There are 22 JH Volleyball girls and 16 JH Football boys. JH Fall Sports Pictures are Wednesday, September 21st. Homecoming week begins September 25th with the Booster Club sponsored Homecoming Kickoff Event at the derby pit. Homecoming game vs. Shelby-Rising City on Friday, September 30th. The King and Queen will be announced after the game. Parents' night for softball will be Tuesday, September 20th and for football before the game on Friday, September 30th.

11.3. Superintendent Report

Mr. Schapmann said KSB Law represents NSAA. He is negotiating trading in an older bus and possibly getting 2 mini busses instead of a larger propane bus that was ordered previously during the last school year. Mr. Schapmann will set a meeting with the transportation committee to discuss the JH afterschool activity transportation. He will also set a meeting with the buildings committee and look into leasing portable building for upcoming school years due to shortage of classrooms. Portables, playground, October meeting, First National Capital Markets and Clark & Enerson

11.4. Board of Education Committee Report(s)

No report given.

12. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

Motion to approve the next regular board of education meeting for October 17th, 2022 at 7:30 pm in the Elementary Media Center of the Genoa Elementary School at 816 Willard Ave. Genoa, NE. 68640 Passed with a motion by John Reeg and a second by David Baxa.

David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

13. Executive Session

No executive session.

14. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Passed with a motion by Dan Preister and a second by John Reeg.
David Baxa: Yea, John Nelson: Yea, Dan Preister: Yea, John Reeg: Yea, Jennifer Swantek: Yea

Jennifer Swantek, Board President

Dan Preister, Board Secretary

7-12 Principal Report- October 2022

- End of the 1st Quarter Friday 10/14/2022
- New Staff is getting settled in and doing a great job
- Will be reviewing ICU procedures/policies this quarter to decide if any changes need to be done for second semester
- Pre-ACT will be taken on November 8 by 9th and 10th Grade Students
- Spring NSCAS Scores have been mailed out

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- ICU
 - Elementary had their first Blitz Day-October 10th
 - Elementary Knockout Punch work days-Tuesday, October 11th & Friday, October 14th

- Fire Department
 - Elementary classroom visits-Wednesday, October 12
 - Discussed fire safety tips
 - PreK-visited the Fire Station-Thursday, October 13

- Crosswalk Safety
 - Mrs. VanDriel and Mr. Quick taught a crosswalk safety lesson during PE
 - Looking into additional ways to educate students and families

- End of 1st quarter
 - Friday, October 14th
 - Report cards along with Spring 2022 NSCAS reports will be mailed out

Recent News/events:

- FCCLA District 5 Leadership Conference (Monday, October 10th)
- FFA Land Judging
 - Twin River team received 1st place
 - Individual Accomplishments:

Upcoming Events:

- Junior High Wrestling Organizational Meeting tomorrow, October 18th
 - HS Wrestling meeting October 25th
- State Land Judging is October 19th
- October 20th: Volleyball vs. Nebraska Lutheran (parents night)
- Friday, October 21st, FBLA Appliance Drive
- Volleyball Sub-districts - October 24th & 25th (potentially @ Nebraska Christian)
- National FFA October 26-29 in Indianapolis
- FBLA Blood Drive October 28th

Upcoming Meetings:

- Conference AD Meeting in West Point: November 2nd, 2022
- Conference Superintendent Meeting: November 9th, 2022

Other Information:

- Activity Update:
 - JV/V Volleyball vs. Nebraska Lutheran (10/20) - Parents Night
 - FFA National Convention October 26-29
 - First day of JH Girls Basketball October 27th
 - JH Wrestling First Conditioning Day tentatively November 2nd
 - First official day of Winter Sports Practice is November 14th