

REGULAR V.I.T. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Wednesday, September 17, 2025

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the V.I.T. Community Unit School District #2 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Larry Payne in the High School Library.

ROLL CALL Roll call was answered by: Ryan Heitz, Blake Miller, Zach Parker, Larry Payne, and Amanda Rector. Nathan Essex and Josh Miller were absent.

OTHERS IN
ATTENDANCE Matthew Klaska, Superintendent; Mark Darr, HS Principal; Travis Snowden, Melissa Shaw, Shannon Tournear, and Amy Hampton.

PLEDGE

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONAL
ITEMS for the
AGENDA Delete 7B. Julia Kluesner could not join the meeting.

CONSENT
AGENDA A motion was made by Zach Parker and seconded by Blake Miller to approve the consent agenda items, which included previous meeting minutes, financial reports, bills, payroll, and activity fund reports. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

BOARD
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None.

None.

TEACHER INPUT/
CURRICULUM
CORNER

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

SCHEDULED VISITORS

Melissa Shaw was present to talk about subbing in the HS Science Room.

This school year is has been going well for her. Teacher Edition books and some supplies will be needed throughout the school year.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

HEALTH SCHOOL SPECIALIST

Discussion was held on a Health School Specialist. There are a few students with medical needs that would benefit from the specialist. The paraprofessional has spent 47% of her time over the last 2 weeks with the students for medical needs.

JACKSONVILLE ROUTE

Discussion was held on a student going to Jacksonville to ISD School for the Deaf. A bus driver was hired to drive the student to and from school everyday. The student attended VIT for a 2 week trial, if they stay at VIT it would mean a partial RIF for the driver.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

JH/HS PRINCIPAL

Katie Miller is Senior of the Month for September. Friday is Mid Term. Mr. Darr would like to commend the staff and students for following the cell phone policy. As walking from class to class there are a lot of great lessons going on.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

The Staff is off to a great start. Time is flying by, with Mid Term being on Friday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ EXECUTIVE SESSION: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Ryan Heitz and seconded by Blake Miller to enter executive session at 7:09pm. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

A motion was made by Ryan Heitz and seconded by Amanda Rector to return to open session at 7:22pm. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller;

OPEN SESSION

aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

ACTION ITEMS

JR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH

A motion was made by Ryan Heitz seconded by Blake Miller to approve Hannah Gould for JH Girls Basketball Coach, pending Astoria approval. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

HEAD HIGH SCHOOL TRACK COACH

A motion was made by Amanda Rector and seconded by Blake Miller to approve the JD Wilson for Head High School Track Coach, pending Astoria approval. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

FULL-TIME PARAPROFESSION AL

A motion was made by Blake Miller and seconded by Zach Parker to approve Lauran Rutledge as full-time paraprofessional. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

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A motion was made by Ryan Heitz and seconded by Blake Miller to approve Addison Milby as a full-time paraprofessional. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY

A motion was made by Zach Parker and seconded by Amanda Rector to approve the first reading of board policy 4:50. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

PARTIAL RIF OF BUS DRIVER ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Blake Miller and seconded by Zach Parker to approve the partial RIF of a bus driver (reduction in hours). Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

A motion was read and approved by Blake Miller and seconded by Zach Parker to approve the Adoption of Resignation Agreement and Release of Claims. Roll call: Heitz, aye; B. Miller; aye, Parker, aye; Rector, aye; and Payne, aye. Motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

**ADOPTION OF
RESIGNATION AND
RELEASE OF
CLAIMS**

Next Board Meeting is Thursday, October 23th @ 7pm. (PT
Conferences 1:30-6:30 pm)

**ANNOUNCEMEN
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A motion was made by Ryan Heitz and seconded by Blake Miller to
adjourn at 7:26pm. Motion passed with an all- aye vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Blake Miller
Board Secretary

Larry Payne
Board President

Amy Hampton
Recording Secretary 09/17/2025