Unapproved Minutes
Caledonia Central Supervisory Union
TWINFIELD UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING
November 10, 2026

Call to Order by Erin Barry

Present: Erin Barry, Kendra Padilla, Asa Baer, Janna Osman, Sara Andrews, Principal Stephanie Ainslie, Principal Rachel Hartman, Superintendent Matt Foster, Reta Bezak, Student Reps Colin & Leland, Asst Superintendent Mike Moriarty, Director of Finance John Burke.

Public Comment
Discussion regarding ongoing bullying at the Twinfield School. Several comments and questions were raised about the steps the school is taking to address the issue. Concerns were expressed that the problem has been ongoing and that, to date, there has not been a clear sense of resolution. Parents shared concerns that established action plans are not being consistently implemented or followed through. It was recommended that parents with concerns send a formal complaint to Matt Foster. Matt will then look into each complaint and see if the problems can be addressed and solved.

Minutes
September 8, 2026
October 13, 2026
A **motion** to approve the minutes by Janna Osman and seconded by Asa Baer. Motion approved.

Student Rep Report –
Colin highlighted a few items:

- Dual enrollment chemistry class went to VT State University Lyndon Campus. Released a weather balloon.
- Ski & Ride – forms have been sent out. HS goes to Bolton Valley and MS goes to Craftsbury.
- A teacher from the North Branch Nature Center is coming in to introduce a course to the HS.
- MS Clubs

Leland highlighted a few items:

- Currently giving MS students piano lessons.
- The band teacher is hoping to give formal lessons to students.
- A survey was sent out by students in HS. Leland went over the questions and results.
- Technology and device usage - non-school usage seems to have decreased. AI is used as a tool. Erin asked if there was a teacher that went over AI and its usage? No, it was a personal endeavor.

Superintendent – Matt and Mike were present to highlight items and answer any questions in the written report.

- The board discussed the district report cards from the Agency of Education)AOE), which are expected to be released within the next one to two weeks..
- It was noted that health insurance premiums are projected to increase by 2.5% next year. The dental insurance rate increase will be confirmed once additional information is available.

Principals – Stephanie and Rachel were present to highlight items and answer questions.

- Principals and board members discussed Kid Talk Protocols. Kid Talk looks at what a student needs, implement the help, track to see if the protocols put in place are working.
- Principals and board members discussed SWIS - SWIS is where behavior incidents are tracked. Administrators and behavior support staff log responses in SWIS as well. This helps to let see where there are needs and where interventionists can help or are needed. Discussion on who looks at the SWIS data.
- Discussion on parent involvement for the report cards. Invites will be sent out.
- Math game night is coming up. There will be food and games for all grade levels.
- Dental van – 47 kids served.
- 4 new preschoolers have been added in the last few weeks.
- Indoor garden in the cafeteria.

Student Services – no discussion

FY28 Budget Discussion – John Burke
John went over the current budget line items and showed where increases and decreases are.
Board discussion on how figures for expenses are calculated. Look at prior years, look at what current needs might be.
Currently the budget from FY27 to FY28 is showing an increase of $55k. Still waiting on State figures.
Discussion on figures needed for the afterschool/summer program.
Discussion on transportation and special ed reimbursements.
Need to look at Capital Reserves.

Policy Committee – Committee will be created from a board member from each district.
This committee will review policies. Even though there will be one appointed board member, all board members can attend and contribute.
Erin Barry nominated Asa Baer and seconded by Reta Bezak. Nomination has passed.

Staff Spotlight - Tabled

Act 170 Merger Committee Updates (Discussion) Meeting next Thursday, Nov 19th.
Looking to collect data before the meeting. Discussion on configurations being looked at.
Discussion on questions to ask and get opinions from students and the community.

Future Agenda items:

- Act 170 - Merger Study Committee Update
- Accountability – what that means

- Equity in Education
- Social Studies discussion
- 2 Staff Spotlights

Board looking to hold a special Executive Session.
A lot of board discussion on getting answers for the parents with the bullying concerns and how to best support the students, parents and staff. Discussion on the protocols that public schools have to go through.
Will host a forum around bullying at Twinfield. Then warn an Executive Session if still needed. Would also like to bring in a 3rd party facilitator.

A **motion** to adjourn by Sara Andrews and seconded by Janna Osman. Motion approved.
Minutes respectfully submitted,
Nicky Cole