# Trout Creek School District #6

# Regular Meeting Minutes

3/12/2025

**Attendees:**

***Trustees:*** *D. Scott Rasor, Marian Stonehocker, Zach Hannum, Elizabeth Loyd, Colby Bacon*

***Others:*** *Kimberly Johnson, Robert Johnson, Beckie Doyle, Mason Cottrell, Susie Davis, Charles Denson III, and Carolyn Nesbitt.*

1. **Call to order**

Mr. Rasor called to order the regular meeting of the Trout Creek School Board at 6:00 p.m. on 3/1225 in the Trout Creek School Multipurpose Room.

* 1. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Rasor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
  2. **Recognition of Visitors:** Mr. Rasor welcomed all visitors.

1. **Public Comment**

Mr. Rasor asked for public comment:

* No Public Comment

1. **Agenda**
   1. **Adjustment to the Order:** No adjustments.
   2. **Approval of the Agenda as Presented:**

Action read to approve the agenda as adjusted.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Loyd.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

1. **Reports:**
   1. **Administrative Update:**

Mrs. Johnson reported school wide attendance at 77.9%. The Air Quality test came back perfect. We are waiting on the physical reports. February 28th we had our Science Fair. On March 5th Mrs. Naylor resigned. Kindergarten Roundup is on Friday the 14th of March. We received a grant from the Masonic foundation for music supplies and Instrument repairs, including piano tuning, for $1,238. Mrs. Johnson also announced her resignation effective June 30, 2025.

* 1. **Maintenance Update:**

Mr. Denson provided the maintenance report. We have installed Purple air quality devices both inside and outside. The outside device is available to all, but the inside is on a secure site per the program we are in. We are looking at getting the inside one available for all, but we have to go through extra hoops for this. For more information on these devices please call the school and we will provide information.

* 1. **Athletic Director Update:**

Mrs. Doyle gave the athletic director update. Archery Banquet Friday March 14th. The archery team will be going to Helena to compete the week of March 17th.

1. **Consent Agenda**
   1. **Approval of 2/11/25 Minutes:**

Action read to approve the minutes as presented.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

**Approval of 2/27/25 Minutes:**

Action read to approve the minutes as presented.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Loyd; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Financials**
     1. **Budget Review:**

Mr. Johnson gave the report to the Board.

* + 1. **Student Activities:**

Mr. Johnson gave the report to the Board.

* + 1. **Expenditures:**

Mr. Johnson gave the Board the list of expenditures.

Action read to approve the financials as presented.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Stonehocker; 2nd Mr. Hannum.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

1. **Old Business:**
   1. **Building Planning Update Report:**
      1. **Doors:**

Mr. Cottrell presented his proposal for replacing 7 exterior doors for an estimated $40,678.

* + 1. **Windows:**

Mr. Cottrell presented his proposal for replacing all exterior windows for an estimated $130,328.

* + 1. **HVAC:**

Mr. Cottrell presented his proposal for replacing the HVAC system for an estimated $1,064,101.

Mr Cottrell also stated the Septic system needs to have some work done on it as well, but he does not have an amount for this project at this time. The board asked him to look into this for the district.

* 1. **Information on Projections for the FY26 General Fund Budget:**

Mr. Johnson presented the information on the General Fund Budget. The board suggested having 3 teachers and a lead teacher in FY26. They asked to look into the requirements to move from our current model to a Middle School. They requested Mrs. Johnson to proceed with signing up for next year's Pre-kindergarten Early Literacy class.

* 1. **Elections:**

Tabled as all current trustees who are up for election have turned in their forms.

1. **New Business:**
   1. **Resignation of Trustee Zach Hannum:** tabled.
   2. **Main Building Air Testing:** Covered in Administration Update.
   3. **New Staff:**
      1. **Custodial Manager:** This is to confirm hiring Mr. Charles Denson in this position.
      2. **Maintenance Substitute:** Recommend Mr. Darnell Kahler for this position.
      3. **Paraprofessional Substitute:** Recommend Ms. Gabriella Pallister for this position.

Action read to approve these positions as presented.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Board of Trustees Candidate(s):** Tabled
  2. **Trees:** Tabled
  3. **Certified Salary Schedule for FY26:**

Mr. Johnson presented the different options for the FY26 Certified Salary schedule. Option 1 was to not increase at all and continue with the current pay step. The other 4 options all included no increase for the first 3 years with an increase of $750, $1,000, .

Action read to approve the salary schedule that will increase $750 from the 4th step as presented.

By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Stonehocker; 2nd Mr. Hannum.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Report on Future Gymnasium Plans:** Tabled
  2. **New bank Agenda Account:** Mr. Johnson will look into this and will get back to the board on this.

1. **Next Meeting Agenda Items**
   * 1. General Fund Budget FY26 update.
     2. Resignation of Trustee Zach Hannum.
     3. Board of Trustees Candidate recommendations.
     4. Trees.
     5. Main Building Planning Updates.
     6. Report of Future Gymnasium Plans.
2. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned by Mr. Rasor at 8:15 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert Johnson, District Clerk Date

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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D. Scott Rasor, Board Chair Date