

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 Board of Education

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2025

- 1) A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Matt Lentz, at the Hillsboro Unit Office at 7:00 p.m. The following board members were present: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby.

- 2) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News Reports

Superintendent McBrain shared the high school gym is almost complete. The tennis courts at the Junior High are scheduled to be completed in early October.

Board Member Cerutti reported the dugouts at the sports complex should be complete by the end of the week.

Principal Blake Lipe recognized Athletic Director Aaron Duff for all the coordination on the Grace Volleyball Tournament. Mr. Duff was also recognized by a community member for his role in encouraging individuals to become coaches.

- 3) Agenda Item 3.0 FY26 Budget Hearing

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to begin the FY26 Budget hearing. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent McBrain began with a recap of FY25. All fund balances ended with a positive account. Looking forward to FY26, revenue and expenses in the Ed Fund are both down due to a reduction in federal grant funding. Overall the district is in good shape but will continue to be cautious as federal funding may continue to decline.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the FY26 budget. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

- 4) 4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from August 12, 2025

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. There were none.

4.2 Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes from August 12, 2025

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the August 12, 2025 Executive Meeting Minutes. There were none.

4.3 Review and Approval of Payables

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. There were none.

4.4 Financial Report

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. Superintendent McBrain stated the O'Shea bill for this month is not complete. The board is in agreement to proceed with paying 95% of the project.

4.5 Consideration and Approval of Joint Agreement with OKAW Area Vocational Center

Superintendent McBrain reviewed the OKAW Agreement with the board and is recommending renewal.

Consent Agenda Vote.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

5) Agenda Item 5.0 Recognition of Audience

No cards submitted.

6) Agenda Item 6.0 New Business

6.1 Annual Review and Approval of Bullying Policy

Superintendent McBrain stated there are no suggested changes to the current policy and is recommending approval.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to renew and approve the Bullying Policy. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

6.2 Authorization for Superintendent to Act as Official Signatory for Financial Documents

Superintendent McBrain is requesting authorization to be approved as an official signatory for the district.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to authorize Superintendent Hope McBrain to act as Official Signatory on Financial Documents. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

6.3 Discussion of Adding IHSA Girls Flag Football at HHS

Superintendent McBrain stated girls flag football is a new and fast-growing sport in Illinois. The number of schools participating in our area is limited but there are some that are teams willing to add Hillsboro to their schedule. Administration will continue looking into adding the program for the Fall of 2026.

7) Agenda Item 7.0 Communication

There was none.

8) Agenda Item 8.0 Executive Session

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to move into Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Brian Patton to move out of Executive session at 10:32 p.m. Voice Vote. Motion carried.

9) Agenda Item 9.0 Action Items Resulting from Executive Session

9.1 Employment of High School Baseball Coach

Motion by Mike Cerutti to employ Corbin Govaia as High School Baseball Coach. Motion failed for lack of second.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Bill Christian to employ James Hertel as High School Baseball Coach. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood and Nathan Kirby. Mike Cerutti voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

9.2 Employment of High School National Honor Society Co-Sponsors

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to employ Brittney Edwards as National Honor Society Co-Sponsor. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood and Nathan Kirby. Mike Cerutti voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to employ Alexa Huber as National Honor Society Co-Sponsor. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.3 Employment of 7th Grade Volleyball Coach

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to employ Reagan Devaisher as 7th Grade Volleyball Coach. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.4 Approval of Volunteer Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach

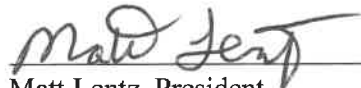
Motion by Bill Christian, seconded by Nathan Kirby to approve Chad Zimmerman as a Volunteer Junior High Boys Basketball Coach. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood and Nathan Kirby. Mike Cerutti voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

9.5 Employment of Custodian

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to employ Derek Chessier as Custodian. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, Bill Christian, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0

9) Agenda Item 9.0 Adjournment.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.


Matt Lentz, President


Kassie Greenwood, Secretary

October 14, 2025
Date