



RICHWOODS R-VII SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2026
7:00 p.m. Library
Open Session

Peggy Reichardt, President
Gary Boyer, Jr., Member
Lindell Conway, Chief Academic Officer

Cody Schott, Vice President
Garrett Harmon, Member (excused)
Mellissa Thurmon, Member

Michelle Emily, Treasurer
David Hoffmann, Jr., Member
Laura Bennett, Board Secretary

I. Preliminaries of the Meeting

- A. Call the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Peggy Reichardt
- B. **Mission/Vision Statement** read by Lindell Conway
- C. Roll Call, Absences Excused by Majority of the Board, Determination of Quorum

II. Fill Vacant Board Member Position

- A. Interview candidate(s) (at the discretion of the Board)
- B. Motion to Approve the appointment of **Mellissa Thurmon as School Board Member** was made by Michelle Emily and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 5 / No 0

III. Oath of Office Administered to Mellissa Thurmon

- IV. **Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda** was made by Cody Schott and seconded by Michelle Emily
Yes 6 / No 0

- V. **Public Comment – Delbert Cardwell:** When was board vacancy advertised? **Answer:** It was published twice in the local newspaper (IJ: 04/23/26 and 04/30/26), was on the website (April 18th -May 22nd) and posted at “board agenda locations” for nearly a month.

VI. Reports

- A. Staff Report – Mrs. S. Lewis report and presentation to Ethan Danback of a T.O.P.S. Award

VII. Action Items

- A. Motion to Accept **Extra Duty Applicants** was made by Mellissa Thurmon and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 5 / No 0 / Abstain 1

Volleyball Lead	JASON MERSEAL
Volleyball Assistant	KACI ROPER
Boys Basketball 6-8 (w/camp)	PHIL MCCOY
Girls Basketball 6-8 (w/camp)	ELI EMILY
Cheerleading Lead	AROSE
Cheerleading Assistant	KPARMLEY
Archery Lead	ELI EMILY
Archery Assistant	PHIL MCCOY
NHS	HOPE LITTON
PDC Chair	HOPE LITTON

- B. Motion to Accept **Franklin County Co-Op Agreement and Invoice** was made by Michelle Emily and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 6 / No 0
- C. Motion to Accept **Resolution Making Current Budget to Meet FYE and Accept Actuals** was made by David Hoffmann and seconded by Mellissa Thurmon
Yes 6 / No 0



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- D. Motion to Accept **AMI Plan Review** was made by Cody Schott and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 6 / No 0
- E. Motion to Accept **Student Handbook for FY 2026-2027** with edit was made by Mellissa Thurmon and seconded by David Hoffmann
Yes 6 / No 0
- F. Motion to Accept **Staff/Paraprofessional Handbook(s) for FY 2026-2027** was made by Michelle Emily and seconded by Mellissa Thurmon
Yes 6 / No 0

VIII. Information Items

- A. Principal Report: Mrs. Mitchell
- PROGRAM: School Climate [MSIP]
 - Reading Levels [MSIP]
- B. Chief Academic Officer Report: Mr. Conway
- PROGRAM: Extra-Curricular - Athletics

Motion to **Enter Closed Session Meeting** pursuant to RSMO 610.021, Subsections (3) and (13), was made at 8:08 p.m. by Michelle Emily and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 6 / No 0

Motion to **Adjourn Meeting** was made at 8:49 p.m. by Mellissa Thurmon and seconded by Gary Boyer
Yes 6 / No 0

Next meeting is scheduled for **June 18, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.**

Board Approval Attested by *Laura Bennett* Date: 6/18/2024
Laura Bennett, Board Secretary