Evergreen Local Schools
Regular Meeting Minutes of the Evergreen Board of Education
August 17, 2026 6:00pm

President Nora Kiefer called the meeting to order. Members in attendance were Rusty Carr, Casey Schmitz, Jason Miller, Lindsay Mossing, and Nora Kiefer.

President Nora Kiefer asked if anyone wished to add, delete, or separate any items of the consent agenda as proposed. No changes were made.

Casey Schmitz moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the meeting agenda for the Regular Board meeting on August 17, 2026.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **102-26**

Jason Miller moved, supported by Casey Schmitz, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 20, 2026 and the Special Board Meeting held on July 23, 2026..

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **103-26**

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

FINANCIAL

Treasurer Brian Carroll provided the July 2026 financials including the Cash Reconciliation, Financial Summary, Cash Summary, and Disbursement Summary.

Accepted the following donations:

- $100.00 anonymous donation to 018-9220: Student Assistance Fund
- $500.00 from Fulton County Cattle Feeders Association to 200-9210: FFA
- $1,250.00 from OHSAA to 300-000: Athletic Fund
- $2,000.00 from Linda M. Rupp Living Trust to 018-9221: Elementary Principal Fund

Donations to FFA Officer Retreat from:
- Cris Johnson Trucking
- Elvey Family Farms
- Conrad Family Farms
- Holland Farms

Approved permanent appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 (Attached).

Approved the Financial Forecast and Assumptions to be submitted to ODEW by August 31, 2026

Rusty Carr moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the preceding financial motions, reports, and other financial items.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **104-26**

PERSONNEL

Added the following individual to the approved district substitute list pending the completion of any/all licensure requirements and background checks:

- Cheryl McIntosh — Cook
- John Johnson III — Custodian
- Kevin Pelland — Bus Driver

Offered the following individuals non-teaching one-year limited contracts, effective with the start of the 2026 - 2027 school year:

- Myah Griggs — Bus Driver, 4-Hour Position
- Laura Gomoll — Aide, 2-Hour Position
- Ronald Woods Jr. — Night Custodian, 8-Hour Position

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy and agreements, with work assignments delegated by the Superintendent.

Rescinded and offered the following supplemental contracts and approve volunteers for 2026 - 2027, pending the completion of any/all certification and/or licensure requirements:

- Sarah Friess — Rescind EHS Yearbook (approved 5.18.2026)
- Sarah Friess — EHS Yearbook ½ contract
- Doug DeSloover — EHS Yearbook ½ contract
- Clint Barnes — Boys Golf Volunteer Assistant

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

Approved Eli Hansel as a High School & Middle School paid event worker for the 2026 - 2027 school year.

Approved all Evergreen teachers for the 2026 - 2027 school year, for approved additional hours or to supervise and/or instruct students including but not limited to ZAP, SOS Tutoring, after school detention, or Friday School, at the current hourly contracted rate.

As recommended by the Superintendent, Jason Miller moved, supported by Casey Schmitz, to approve the above listed personnel items.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **105-26**

OTHER BUSINESS

Casey Schmitz moved, supported by Rusty Carr, to approve a Special Meeting of the Evergreen Board of Education on Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 4:00 pm for the purpose of a campus tour. The Regular meeting of the Evergreen Board of Education will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, September 22, 2026.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **106-26**

Jason Miller moved, supported by Lindsay Mossing, to authorize the superintendent to enter into agreements with accredited colleges and universities with Educational Preparation Programs for the purpose of allowing the placement of education students in our district schools for the 2026 - 2027 school year.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **107-26**

Jason Miller moved, supported by Lindsay Mossing, to approve an overnight trip for Evergreen FFA Greenhand Camp at Ohio FFA Camp in Muskingum, Ohio. Students will attend general camp sessions and workshops which will focus on leadership, FFA, and agriculture. Students will depart on September 25, 2026 and return on September 27, 2026 and will stay at Ohio FFA Camp. A school van will transport students to the retreat. Teacher Alexis Howell will be the trip supervisor. Trip cost, approximately $120.00 per student will be covered by the FFA account or FFA alumni.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **108-26**

Jason Miller moved, supported by Lindsay Mossing, to approve an overnight trip for Evergreen FFA members who qualify to attend the State Soils Contest at a location to be determined. Students will depart on October 9, 2026 and return on October 10, 2026. A school van will transport students to the contest. Teacher Alexis Howell will be the trip supervisor. Trip costs will be covered by the FFA account.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **109-26**

Jason Miller moved, supported by Rusty Carr, to approve a contract with Toledo Pediatric Speech Therapy, LLC. to provide speech and language services on behalf of Holy Trinity Catholic School's students being served under IDEA during the 2026 - 2027 school year. Services will be provided as needed at a cost of $80.00 per hour, not to exceed $8,640.00. The expense will be paid from IDEA-B funds.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **110-26**

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

- New LED school zone signs were installed on County Road S for this school year. The sign will flash from 7:15 - 8:15 am to start the school day and from 2:15 - 3:15 pm in the afternoon to end the school day.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Superintendent, Eric Smola, reported on the following items:

I would like to thank Trent and our custodial staff for all their efforts to have the building ready to start this school year. Their efforts are definitely appreciated.

The landscaping in the front of the elementary will be completed soon. Plants are ordered and work will be scheduled when they arrive.

The logo in the foyer of the elementary school has discolored. We have reached out to the installer and he is not returning our calls. We are exploring our options for the best way to address and correct this problem.

We had our opening district meeting this morning. New staff were welcomed to the district and we reconnected with our March professional development topic of Appreciology. Last year, staff identified ways to improve interactions with each other. They were: Be clear on

expectations, Give yourself and others Grace, Assume positive intent, and Set others up for success. Our goal is to approach this school year with these principles in mind.

I'm excited for this school year and I think we have added some quality professionals to our team who are going to have a positive impact on our students' education and lives.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Jason Miller moved, supported by Casey Schmitz, to adjourn the August 17, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Evergreen Local Board of Education.

Ayes: Carr, Schmitz, Miller, Mossing, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **111-26**

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Nora Kiefer, Board President

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Brian Carroll, Treasurer