

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 20
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2026

1. Call to Order The Board of Education meeting held at Lakeview High School and via teleconference was called to order at 7:16 p.m. by Tiffany Parkhouse.

Members present: Tiffany Parkhouse, Chair, Ashley Westfall, Vice Chair, Ashley Hall Daddona, Secretary, John Morosani, Treasurer, Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Margaret Hunt, Kara Cruoglio, Diane Barnes, Scott Pottbecker, Billie Jean Sideris, and Rob DeLayo.

Also present: Jeffrey Villar, Ph.D., Superintendent, Julie Haggard, Assistant Superintendent Pupil Services, Julia Cardillo, Chief Financial Officer, and David Flint, Principal of CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen, LLC).

2. Pledge of Allegiance Tiffany Parkhouse invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Committee Reports

John Morosani provided the Finance & Facilities Committee update sharing there was a discussion about an RFP for the school facilities master plan, a presentation and discussion regarding parking at Lakeview High School and other facility projects to be potentially funded with budget surplus.

The Strategic Planning Committee has met twice since its last update to review a proposal of four new Board of Education goals. The majority of both meetings were to workshop, discuss, and refine these goals, which are based on the Strategic Plan presentation from last fall. The Committee will hold one additional meeting to finalize the goals before presenting them to the full Board of Education for formal consideration and adoption.

4. Chairman's Report & Update

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

- June 11 - Lakeview High School – 7:00 p.m.
- June 25 - Lakeview High School – 7:00 p.m.
- July 9 - Lakeview High School - 7:00 p.m.
- July 23 - Lakeview High School - 7:00 p.m.

(All meetings will have a remote option)

Tiffany Parkhouse publicly thanked everyone for their hard work on the FY27 Budget and the four communities for its support on passing this budget.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Board of Education Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2026

5.2 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2026

5.3 Annual District Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2026

5.4 Out of State Field Trip - Indianapolis, IN - L. Bennett - June 17-21, 2026

5.5 Out of State Field Trip - Washington, DC/National Harbor, MD - R. Zeyte - June 22-26, 2026

5.6 Out of State Field Trip - San Antonio, TX - E. Lok - June 28, 2026 - July 3, 2026

5.7 Out of State Field Trip - Indianapolis, IN - V. Zielinski - October 20-24, 2026

5.8 Approval to Dispose/Sell a 1973 20' Band Saw per BOE Policy 3260

5.9 Approval of New Hires

5.9.1 Richard McCoy, SIS Data Systems Specialist - District

5.9.2 Howard Schroeder, Van Driver - District, Transition Program

- 5.9.3 Carl Schaaf, School Security Personnel - Lakeview High School
- 5.9.4 Marissa Uva, ASTE Teacher - Lakeview High School
- 5.9.5 Margaret Pascento, Special Education Teacher - Lakeview High School

Dr. Villar opened by addressing a question received about a few of the field trips, and he shared that students who may be seniors, and these field trips happening after school has dismissed for the year, are covered under the district's liability insurance. Additionally, the organizations, such as FFA (Future Farmers of America), FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), and the Technology Student Association (TSA), all acknowledged it is commonplace to have graduated seniors attend these events. Dr. Villar closed by commenting it was a good call to question these concerns.

Krista Rizzo made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Margaret Hunt seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Presentations

6.1 FY25 Budget Audit - CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen, LLC) - Action Anticipated

Tiffany Parkhouse introduced David Flint, Principal of CLA who gave a presentation on the FY25 Budget Audit and who also answered questions from the Board of Education members.

Billie Jean Sideris made a motion to approve the FY25 Budget Audit as presented. Susan Wheeler seconded the motion.

During discussion John Morosani requested this item be tabled given he has concerns about OPEB (Other Post Employee Benefits). There was then a lengthy discussion that followed.

Tiffany Parkhouse called for a vote.

Billie Jean Sideris, Margaret Hunt, Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Ashley Westfall, Tiffany Parkhouse, Diane Barnes, Ashley Hall Daddona, Scott Pottbecker, and Rob DeLayo voted in favor of the motion. John Morosani voted against the motion. Kara Cruoglio abstained. The motion does not carry at 63.46% voting in favor. The vote does not meet the threshold of 66% BOE members voting in favor of the motion. There was at least one member voting in favor from each member town.

7. Superintendent Update

Dr. Villar shared information about two new scholarship opportunities for district students, and the Lakeview High School graduation being held at Plumb Hill Playing Fields on June 19 at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Villar commented he will be convening the first meeting of the Technology Advisory Committee in early June, and spoke about investigating what happened to Chromebooks after the merger. Dr. Villar closed by praising Julia Cardillo for the tremendous amount of work she put in to accomplish the FY25 audit.

7.1 Personnel Report

Dr. Villar presented the May 2026 Personnel Report.

8. Finance Report

8.1 FY26 Finance Update

Julia Cardillo gave the FY26 Finance Report that included but was not limited to an update on the Student Activities Account, the ASTE Grant, FY26 Budget Surplus, and spoke to the reason for the FY26 Budget Transfer Request.

8.2 FY26 Budget Transfer Request

John Morosani made a motion to approve the FY26 Budget Transfer Request - transferring \$7,000 from the Lakeview High School Art Supplies (Category 4) to Graduation Expenses (Category 8). Ashley Hall Daddona seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Public Comment

Individuals offering public comment should please state their first and last name and the town where they reside. Remarks should be limited to no more than three minutes. A maximum time limit of 30 minutes will be allocated for public comment at any one meeting. Individuals representing a common interest or topic may be asked to have one individual speak for the group. Public comments must be relevant to the meeting's agenda. Speakers shall direct all comments to the Board, not to individual BOE members or administrators. Profane or vulgar language, partisan political statements, and comments related to the conduct or performance of staff are not permitted. Public comment is received without Board comment or response, the Board is to keep comments "under advisement." However, BOE members may seek clarification or additional information from speakers through the Chairman.

No public comment was offered.

10. Action Items

10.1.1 Discussion and Possible Action on the Proposed Capital Expenditures, Including Paving and Parking for Lakeview High School

Susan Wheeler made a motion to spend up to \$400k for Paving and Parking at Lakeview High School. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the paving and the parking lot at Lakeview High School that included but was not limited to concerns about lighting, sidewalks, safety, the ability to begin work prior to July 1, 2026 and complete the project by the start of school.

Tiffany Parkhouse called for a vote.

Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Ashley Hall Daddona, Margaret Hunt, John Morosani, Diane Barnes, Tiffany Parkhouse, and Ashley Westfall voted in favor of the motion. Billie Jean Sideris, and Kara Cruoglio voted against the motion. Rob DeLayo and Scott Pottbecker abstained. The motion carries with 68.66% voting in favor and at least one member voting in favor from each town.

Scott Pottbecker made a motion to approve the five proposed capital expenditures projects (GCS Water Filtration System, LIS Expansion Tank, Landscape Trailer, Warren Boiler, and Mower). Rob DeLayo seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Ashley Hall Daddona, Margaret Hunt, John Morosani, Kara Cruoglio, Diane Barnes, Scott Pottbecker, Tiffany Parkhouse, Rob DeLayo and Ashley Westfall voted in favor. Billie Jean Sideris abstained. The motion carries with 94.57% voting in favor of the motion and at least one member voting in favor from each town.

Scott Pottbecker made a motion to apply \$242,675.96 to the FY25 budget deficit. Kara Cruoglio seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

10.1.2 Discussion and Possible Action to Accept a Donation - Policy 3280 Gifts, Grants, Bequests

- Washing Machine - PHMS Agriscience Program
- Small Plumbing & Electrical Parts - District

John Morosani made a motion to Accept a Donation - Policy 3280 Gifts, Grants, Bequest. Ashley Hall Daddona seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Tiffany Parkhouse publicly thanked the donors.

10.1.3 Discussion and Possible Action for the Approval of the Job Description - Elementary Intervention and Instruction Coordinator

Ashley Westfall made a motion for the Approval of the Job Description - Elementary Intervention and Instruction Coordinator. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion.

During discussion there was a question on reporting structure and what union this position resides. Tiffany Parkhouse called for a vote.

The motion passes unanimously.

10.1.4 Discussion and Possible Action for the Approval of RSD20 FSA Plan Document - Amended and Restated

Krista Rizzo made a motion for the Approval of RSD20 FSA Plan Document - Amended and Restated. John Morosani seconded the motion.

During discussion there was a question on what was amended in the document. Tiffany Parkhouse called for a vote.

The motion passed unanimously.

10.1.5 Discussion Concerning the Evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools (Discussion Proposed for Executive Session)

10.1.6 Discussion and Possible Action of the Superintendent of Schools Contract (Proposed for Executive Session)

Susan Wheeler made a motion to Enter Executive Session and invited Dr. Villar for items 10.1.5 & 10.1.6. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Entered Executive Session: 9:09 p.m.

Exited Executive Session: 10:11 p.m

Margaret Hunt made a motion to extend Jeffrey Villar's contract by one year with a 4.25% increase and 6 vacation payout days. Susan Wheeler seconded the motion. Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Ashley Hall Daddona, Margaret Hunt, Kara Cruoglio, John Morosani, Diane Barnes, Scott Pottbecker, Tiffany Parkhouse, Rob DeLayo, and Ashley Westfall voted in favor of the motion. Billie Jean Sideris voted against the motion. The motion carries with 94.57% voting in favor of the motion and at least one member voting in favor from each town.

10.1.7 Discussion and Possible Action of the Chief Financial Officer Contract (Proposed for Executive Session)

Ashley Westfall made a motion to Enter Executive Session and invited Dr. Villar and Julia Cardillo. Susan Wheeler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Entered Executive Session: 10:14 p.m.

Exited Executive Session: 10:36 p.m.

Krista Rizzo made a motion to extend Julia Cardillo's contract by one a year with the automatic raise that comes with and adding \$4,500 to that base salary as an incentive. Scott Pottbecker seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Board **John Morosani made a motion to adjourn. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion.** The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Escobar
Secretary, pro-tem