

**THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR SESSION  
December 17, 2025**

Three Rivers School District Board of Directors met for a regular session Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at North Valley High School, 6741 Monument Drive Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon. The regular session was streamed online for the public and is currently available for viewing at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UYH2sM6lhUk>

**PRESENT**

Pat Kelly, Board Chair  
Mariah Rossi, Board Vice-Chair  
Nancy Reese, Board Member  
Cameron Camp, Board Member  
Rick Nelson, Board Member

Dave Valenzuela, Superintendent  
Casey Alderson, Deputy Superintendent  
Stephanie Allen-Hart, Director  
Jessica Durrant, Director  
Rob Saunders, Director  
Jessica Knable, Recording Secretary

Administrators present: Jessica Falkenhagen, Brian Miller, Lindsey Namanny, Matthew Knight, Sabrina Miller, Travis Osborne, and Mandi DeVaglio

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at: 4:00pm and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Vice-Chair Rossi made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Member Camp seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0). Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reese yes, Member Nelson yes.

**SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE**

Board members, the District Leadership Team, and Superintendent shared an outstanding school or district highlight of an event, activity, and/or kudos to TRSD staff.

Member Camp shared he recently spent some time at Lorna Byrne to learn about data and standards. He shouted out the Lorna Byrne staff for the work they are doing to increase the number of students that are proficient in reading.

Vice Chair Rossi commended the work students are doing in the community. She saw Lincoln Savage students taking food donations for a food drive and Hidden Valley students packing up food boxes.

Member Reese thanked the North Valley students that participated in the student panel. She appreciated their honesty and believes the Board needs to listen to student voices.

Deputy Superintendent Alderson shared his appreciation for the licensed bargaining team. He said both the district team and the licensed team are working together and it has been a great start.

Director Allen-Hart thanked the students that participated in the student panel and gave a shout out to the district for the work they are doing to get food to families.

Director Saunders showed a picture of 2 North Valley students, Tanner Core and Jesse Vejar, they helped weld chains to the new gate locks on schools in the North Valley area.

Director Durrant expressed appreciation to Molly Kitchens for all of her hard work on the district spelling bee. She also wanted to spotlight Amber Mersino and April Valenzuela for all their hard work helping a pregnant student get her GED.

Superintendent Valenzuela thanked Lisa Cross for coming back and helping Three Rivers in the business office.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Superintendent Valenzuela highlighted the work that Chartwells and Food Service did to provide delicious holiday meals to all of our schools, especially to Evergreen who had an oven go down. He specifically shouted out Chris Gillam and Kristen Dunn. He also shared that Chris applied for and was awarded a \$20,000 grant from ODE to help replace old outdated kitchen equipment.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION**

- Fleming Principal Brian Miller recognized Ryan Queener, General Manager of MasterBrand Cabinets, as our TRSD Community Partner of the Month for December. Over the last 3 years, Ryan has been donating wood to the Fleming woodshop program allowing the school to use the funds they've saved and earned for equipment. Manufacturing Teacher Dan gave an overview of the type of woods donated and the immense value.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Items in the consent agenda will be approved by a single motion unless a member of the Board or the Superintendent requests that an item or items be removed and voted upon separately.

- Routine Personnel Items – December 2025
- Athletic Coaches – December 2025
- Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings
  - November 19, 2025 – Board Regular Session
- Grant Request (1)
- Vice-Chair Rossi made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Member Reese seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0). Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reece yes, Member Nelson yes.

### **REPORTS – NO ACTION**

- **Applegate Valley Virtual Academy**
  - Administrator Travis Osborne provided a mid-year update to the board about Applegate Valley Virtual Academy (AVVA). AVVA is a district sponsored charter school that was established in 2025. Fall 2025 enrollment was 104 students. The enrollment will increase

to about 438 for the mid-year. AVVA will provide an end of the year report with financial updates.

- **Fleming Waster Water Treatment plant update**

- Superintendent Valenzuela shared an update on the Fleming Waste Water Treatment Plant. The District is working with Josephine County to transfer the plant to the county as there is a water district already established. The plant treats the North Valley industrial park, the Josephine County airport and the dog kennel. The plant is at capacity and Three Rivers will not sign off on new building permits that would bring new users on. Three Rivers recently met with DEQ and we received information that we are not obligated to treat the county waste water. We continue to work with the county and the Commissioners office to move this project along.

- **Student Group Spotlight - North Valley High School Music Program**

- North Valley Band/Music Teacher Max Jones presented 4 band students that performed holiday songs for the board and audience. 2 other band students modeled the old marching band uniforms vs the new ones. Max provided an overview of costs, fund raising, performances and the need for additional funding for band programs.

- **Student Data Monthly Report**

- Director Durrant presented a slide deck and provided the Board with handouts about the Oregon state report card. This report card is based on state testing score, called the OSAS test. She explained what each category represented and measured. She explained OSAS opt outs and the process the schools follow when they receive an opt out. She also presented some sample questions that students would see on an OSAS test in different grades.

- **Board Policies First Reading**

- DBE - *Budget Committee* DELETE
- DBEA - *Budget Committee*
- GBLA - *Disclosure of Information* DELETE

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

- Four community members addressed the board:

- Judy Ahrens spoke about national test scores for students and the need for the schools to get back to the basics. She talked about the importance of history, both the good and the bad. She would like to see students proud to be American when they leave.
- Teacher Julia Richardson addresses the board and expressed concern over what she has witnessed in the recent board meetings. Julia shared the wonderful work her colleagues do every day to teach students. She encouraged the board to spend the break reflecting on their roles and encouraged them to lead through positivity and to embrace the Three Rivers family.
- Rick Heller spoke about his granddaughter who was recently suspended and he expressed concern over student drug use.
- David Lommel spoke about "removing woke stuff" in the military and schools.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- **Student Investment Account (SIA)**
  - Director Durrant requested the Board approve the Student Investment Account (SIA) grant agreement # 39317 between Three Rivers School District and the State of Oregon. The grant is valid from July 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027. Director Durrant presented the grant award amount and referenced a previous board presentation on how the money is used.
  - Member Camp made a motion to approve the SIA grant agreement. Member Reese seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reese yes, Member Nelson yes.
- **Lincoln Savage Seismic**
  - Superintendent Valenzuela requested the Board approve and award Adroit Construction Company the pre-construction services contract not to exceed \$75,000.00 for the Lincoln Savage Seismic project.
  - Member Nelson made a motion to approve and award Adroit. Member Camp seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reese yes, Member Nelson yes.
- **Fiscal Resolution 2025-2026 (#03) - Approve unbudgeted funds**
  - Superintendent Valenzuela presented Fiscal Resolution 25-26 03 and requested the board approve the resolution to accept unbudgeted grant funds and authorize the expenditure. The Renew America's Schools Grant and Comprehensive Literacy State Development grant awards were received after the 2025-2026 budget was adopted.
  - Member Camp made a motion to approve resolution #03. Member Nelson seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reese yes, Member Nelson yes.
- **North Valley High School Football Field**
  - Deputy Superintendent Alderson presented a request by a board to name the North Valley High School football field the "Jeff Richard Field". He provided some background about Jeff Ricahrd's contribution to athletics and the school prior to his passing.
  - Member Nelson made a motion to approve the Jeff Richard field name. Member Reese seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Votes by Board Members as follows; Chair Kelly yes, Vice-Chair Rossi yes, Member Camp yes, Member Reese yes, Member Nelson yes.
- **Suggested Future Agenda Items:**
  - Members discussed what would be talked about at the Board Workshop in January. We will discuss a Board Operating Agreement, Policy IIA, and the district will share with the board 2 finalists for the ELA curriculum adoption as well as an update on the curriculum adoption timeline.

- **Future Meeting Dates & Events:**

- Monday, January 5, 2026 Work Session 4:00pm District Office
- Wednesday, January 21, 2026 Regular Session 5:00pm District Office

**ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 5:52 PM.

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