



Flat River Academy Board of Directors

Regular Meeting
June 10th, 2026
6:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
 - A. The meeting was called to order at 6:30.
 - B. Members present: Jason Olvera, James Popma, Ken Miller, Eric Lamb
 - C. Members absent: none
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Items added to agenda: ESP Evaluation
 - B. Motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Ken Miller, seconded by Eric Lamb, agreed by James Popman and Jason Olvera.
 - 1. Motion passed
- IV. Approval of May 13, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes
 - A. The board reviewed the May 13, 2026 proposed board meeting minutes.
 - B. Motion to approve the May 13, 2026 board meeting minutes was made by Ken Miller, seconded by Eric Lamb, agreed by James Popman and Jason Olvera.
 - 1. Motion passed
- II. New Business - none
- III. Old Business
 - A. Approval of the 26-27 Board Meeting Calendar
 - 1. The board reviewed the 26-27 board meeting calendar. Conflicts were noted on the July 8th and 15th proposed dates. July 22nd was proposed as an alternative. All other dates were acceptable.
 - C. Motion to approve the 26-27 amended board meeting calendar with the revised July date of July 22nd was made by Ken Miller, seconded by Eric Lamb, agreed by James Popman and Jason Olvera.
 - 1. Motion passed
- IV. Authorizer Report

- A. SVSU Financial Review Report – board reviewed
- V. Principal's Report
 - A. NWEA
 - 1. Building reports given to school board and a breakdown of grade levels.
 - a) Over all, students made average growth and had average achievement on NWEA for both reading and math.
 - B. Building updates
 - 1. Fiber lines are being installed as part of a grant that we joined the Montcalm ISD. Unsure what equipment updates we will need to utilize this. Have reached out to Ryan at Teachers First
 - 2. Windows continue to leak with no improvements made. Reached out to Paul again yesterday 6/9/26 with pictures.
 - 3. Bleachers on right side of gym are not opening properly
 - 4. Lawnmower has been repaired
 - 5. Insulation issue in the gym
 - C. Enrollment
 - 1. Lower than usual – 116
 - 2. Working on several ways to increase enrollment: events, advertising, booth at the 4H fair.
 - D. Staffing
 - 1. Posting for: Bus driver, 4th/5th ELA, Art
- VI. Teachers First Reports
 - A. State of the School
 - 1. Stacy from Teacher First gave the report.
 - 2. Working on Board Policy with NCSI
 - 3. Enrollment target is 155
 - 4. Grants – 31aa (5) was approved to support the cost of a mental health person in the building
 - B. May 2026 Financials
 - 1. Kristen Haines from Midwest Management presented the May 2026 financials
 - 2. Motion to approve the May 2026 was made by James Popma, seconded by Ken Miller, agreed by Jason Olvera and Eric Lamb.
 - a) Motion passed
 - C. ESP Evaluation
 - 1. Stacy Hengehold from Teachers First presented the ESP Evaluation.
 - 2. Motion to approve the ESP Evaluation was made by Ken Miller, seconded by James Popma, agreed by Jason Olvera and Eric Lamb
 - a) Motion passed
- VII. Approval of the 25-26 Final Budget Resolution
 - A. Frank Patterson from Midwest Management presented the 25-26 Final Budget Resolution.
 - B. Motion to approve the 25-26 final budget resolution was made by Ken Miller,

seconded by James Popma, agreed by Jason Olvera and Eric Lamb.

1. Motion passed

VIII. Correspondence - none

IX. Extended public comments on non-agenda item

A. Hilary Karnatz provided the board with a self evaluation tool to be completed within 1 week.

X. Board Comments

A. Eric Lamb had concerns that the yearbook was not proof read closely enough as he found “gang signs” in a few middle school photos.

B. Eric Lamb requested the status on advertising efforts including yard signs. Several suggestions were made to improve social media efforts.

XI. Adjournment, and confirmation of Next Meeting Date: July 22, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. @ FRA

A. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ken Miller, seconded by James Popma, agreed by Jason Olvera and Eric Lamb.

1. Motion passed 8:08pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____