SUPERINTENDENT'S

REPORT ON THE AUGUST, 2025 BOARD MEETINGS

Grandview R-II

Regular August Board Meeting Minutes (8/21/2025) - https://5il.co/3b9o6

Special August Board Meeting Minutes (8/20/2025) https://aptg.co/0fkr9R

Board Meets With MSBA Team



The Grandview R-II Board of Education has partnered with the Missouri School Boards' Association (MSBA) in the search for a new superintendent to succeed Mr. Matt Zoph upon his retirement. At a special board meeting on Wednesday, August 20, the Board met with the MSBA search team—Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams, Pam Frazier, and Jenny Ulrich—who will guide the process of identifying and interviewing candidates. Stay tuned for more updates, including opportunities for community input through online surveys and a public forum.

Professional Development Plan Approved

The Board of Education approved the Professional Development Plan as presented. This approval is an important step in maintaining compliance for our upcoming MSIP 6 Cycle 2 review.



Tax Rate Hearing



Each year, the district is required to hold a special meeting to set the local tax rate. The rate is determined using a formula provided by DESE and must be reported to the county by September 30. Grandview R-II's Tax Rate Hearing will take place on Wednesday, September 18, at 6:50 p.m., just prior to the regular September Board meeting.

District Handbook Update

Our building administrators have worked hard to condense all individual building handbooks into one unified district handbook. You can access a PDF of the handbook from the District website by following this link: https://aptg.co/LPjNHG



K12/Stride Partnership



On August 8, district leadership met with Steve Richards and William Johnston (Vice President) from K12/Stride to discuss extending our partnership contract back to 10 years. Both sides expressed excitement about continuing this collaboration. K12/Stride's legal department is preparing a proposal for review, with the goal of finalizing the updated contract before Christmas break.

Cell Phone Law Update

The new cell phone law implementation is going smoothly, with no major issues so far. A big thank you to our staff, students, and parents for working together to make this transition successful.

Basketball & Pickleball Courts Update



The new basketball and pickleball courts are on track to open in mid-October. The 60-day curing period for the concrete must be completed before applying the non-slip paint to ensure safety and durability.

New SRO Team



Officer Richard and his K9 partner, Officer Zeus, have been a big hit on campus—especially with our elementary students. We're excited to have them as part of the Grandview R-II family!

Staffing Updates



The Board approved Kyerstyn Verhaeg to assist with cleaning up and entering data into the district's financial software at a Level 5, Step 1 stipend. Additionally, Elaine Schlett's contract was extended from 10 months to 11 months to support her work as Virtual School Coordinator/MOSIS.