

FOSSIL SCHOOL DISTRICT 21J
Fossil School District ~ Fossil School District Office, Shamrock Bldg./via Zoom

REGULAR AGENDA

- 5:00 PM -

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21, 2026

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Year</u>
1 Herb Winters	2027	4 Kyle Hand	2027
2 Tyler Hunt	2027	5 Joe McNeill	2029
3 Erin McGreer	2027	Corrina Jaeger, Business Manager	
		Jon McMurray, Superintendent	

Attendance
Board
Kyle Hand
Tyler Hunt
Erin McGreer
Joe McNeill
Herb Winters
Staff
Jon McMurray
Corrina Jaeger
Alisha Reed
Others
Kurt Evans
Penny Fender
Jon Moore
Liz Barrowcliff

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

***Director McGreer called the meeting at 5:00pm**

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

*The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Approve/Additions to the Agenda

Add 9.4 Local Service Plan

***Director Hand made a motion to approve the agenda as revised. Director McNeill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Aye Erin, Kyle, Joe, Tyler**

3.0 Executive Session Per OAR 192.660(2)(i) To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

Board entered executive session at 5:48 pm

Board returned to executive session at 6:54pm

3.5 Recognition Erin and Michele for taking the time to coach our girls who are playing club volleyball.

4.0 Committee Reports

4.1 RESERVED

4.2 Fossil Distance Learning Program:

*Liz - 3210 enrolled, 1628 families, lottery number of waiting list 161 students, waitlist not through lottery is 1743 students. We are targeting to get back up to 3225 prior to spring break and we do not enroll after spring break.

*Jon - ADM is 3212, we had 9 students drop in December and 9 students drop in January and is significantly lower than the past. We are well over half way through our snap shot meetings. We have grown 255 students in 30 days.

4.3 Safety Committee Meeting: Still refining drill protocols, we have added a class roster to our red and green signs to facilitate easier recognition of whether or not we have all students. No other issues have been brought to my attention.

4.4 Athletic Report Boys basketball has run into a tough league schedule and are currently 1-5 in league and 2-14 overall. The girls have fared slightly better, they are 2-2 in league and are tied for fifth, they are 5-9 overall. Bench depth seems to be an issue for both teams.

5.0 Superintendent's Report

5.1 New bell system at high school- just trying to get a system that will be better synched with clocks and maybe not have a bell that scares people when they walk by it.

5.2 Possibly discuss moving us off of being in school on President's Day

*Board discussed and feel that the school should have Federal holidays off.

Communications

5.6 email that OSEA #117 wants to bargain

Rob has agreed to be the point person for the union since they are without a president.

5.7

6.0 Consent Agenda

6.1 Approval of Minutes: December 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

*Director McNeill made a motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2025. Director Hand seconded the motion. the motion passed unanimously..**Aye Erin, Kyle, Joe, Tyler**

6.2 District Financials: December 2025 Financials and EFB Projection: FSD, FGS,WHS, cash balances. December 2025 Expense Voucher

*Director Hand made a motion to approve the December 2025 Financials. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously..**Aye Erin, Kyle, Joe, Tyler**

7.0 Audience Input

7.1 Kayne and Arcadius to talk about tackle football at junior high level

*Kayne - The current HS football coaches try to create a positive environment and train young men to also care for their teammates and develop character. With that in mind we tried to get a team first approach and we take care of each other. Developing tackling, blocking skills at 11year old age would be huge rather than doing it against a developed body. We feel safety wise this would be a good way to get them into contact sports. A freshman that knows how to tackle and block then we can easily teach them strategies and tactical skills and less on safety skills. It would be an expense, but I feel it would be worth it and competitively many schools have junior high tackle football.

*Director Hand - how would practice look like? Would we do this with the other schools?

*Director Hand/McGreer - how would this affect the volleyball program, since there are so many boys in volleyball and girls in football.

*Director McNeill - What kind of costs would there be?

*Kayne - probably a larger startup cost, helmets \$200 each pads \$150 per pads, uniforms are the least expensive.

*Superintendent McMurray - will do some digging and see what we can come up with for schedules and participation and will report back next month.

8.0 Unfinished Business

Non-Action

Action

8.3 Capital Improvements/Maintenance Issues

*Water approved to be back on and they are all back within acceptable measures. Had a shed roof blow off and Rob replaced it.

9.0 New Business

Non-Action

9.1 Superintendent Review Statement - The School Board believes Mr. McMurray's performance meets the expectations set forth by the board. Moving forward the board would like to collaboratively work on issues that arose when reviewing staff evaluations; namely time management, clearly defined expectations of staff, and defined roles between superintendent and dean of students. The board would like to schedule 3 check-ins to ensure progress is on track. The board would like to thank Mr. McMurray for all his hard work, dedication and enthusiasm he brings to the district.

9.2 Boardmanship for Beginners: Level UP - Kyle and Tyler

Action

9.3 Approve Distance Learning Solutions contract amendment

*Director Winters made a motion to approve the Distance Learning Solutions contract amendment. Director Hand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously..**Aye Erin, Kyle, Joe, Tyler, Herb**

9.4 Local Service Plan Approval

*Director Hand made a motion to approve the Local Service Plan. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously..**Aye Erin, Kyle, Joe, Tyler, Herb**

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10.0 Director's Comments

*Kyle Hand - Can we get the school board meeting out on Bloomz and Facebook earlier?

11.0 Adjournment

*Director McGreer adjourned the meeting at 6:54 pm

Next Meeting:

Scheduled Regular Board Meeting

February 18, 2026 6:00 PM

Board Chair

Business Manager