

Monday, December 8, 2025

The Pierce Public School Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:30 pm in the board room of Pierce High School. Members present were Dan Unseld, Todd Wragge, Ryan Collison, Stefanie Dvorak, Adam Venteicher, and Lisa Freeman. Voting Unanimous, motion carried.

Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Elementary Principal Trent Suehl, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, and ten guests. Notice of the meeting was printed in the Pierce County Leader and posted on Pierce Public Schools website.

A welcome was extended to the public, the open meetings act pointed out, roll call taken, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Collison moved and Wragge seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of minutes from the previous meeting, approval of claims and payment of bills, and financial reports. Voting Unanimous, motion carried.

Dierck White and Lakin Prince reported for FFA. This month the group participated in an LDE competition, conducted fruit sales, hosted their service auction, and will be visiting the nursing home.

Josie Painter reported on behalf of the student council. They will be collecting old Pierce apparel and having a Pierce spirit thrift shop as well as planning the sweetheart dance.

Alyssa Kuper reported for FCCLA. They hosted the memory Christmas tree and cookie monster fundraiser this past month.

Elementary Principal Trent Suehl reported of Acadience/DIBELS assessments taking place. Donuts with dudes was held in November with over 530 people being served.

High school principal Mark Brahmer reported of emergency drills, teacher evaluations, winter sports and activities, food drive, the Christmas concert, and wrestling tournaments.

In his report Superintendent Steffensen gave an overview of the breakout sessions at the State Education Conference he attended and reminded the board that the incumbent filing deadline is February 15, 2026.

The first discussion item was to schedule a Board of Education/Administration retreat, which will be held on January 5, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

For the first action item, Wragge moved and Collison seconded to accept the annual report. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the second action item, Collison moved and Venteicher seconded to approve the annual review of the district's safety and security plan. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

The second discussion item was teacher negotiations. Wragge moved and Collison seconded to enter executive session to protect the public interest and the school district's bargaining position. Voting unanimous, motion passed. Executive session began at 6:53 p.m. and ended at 7:17 p.m.

Collison moved to adjourn and Venteicher seconded. Voting unanimous, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Adam Venteicher, Secretary
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