



River Trails

SCHOOL DISTRICT 26

The River Trails School District 26 Board of Education conducted its Tuesday, July 20, 2021 meeting at River Trails Middle School. The meeting was also livestreamed on the district's YouTube page. You can view a [recording of the entire meeting](#). Here are the highlights:

- Superintendent Dr. Nancy Wagner reviewed COVID protocols and plans for the upcoming school year. She answered questions from the Board regarding these plans. You can view her presentation [here](#).
- Dr. Ivette Dubiel addressed the Board to deliver a report on an equity audit that she recently conducted for the district. The report can be read in full [here](#).
- River Trails Education Association representative Natalie Hudson thanked members for “their dedication to our organization and our students, and the Board and administration for their working relationship.”
- Board member Janine Freedlund acknowledged the district's summer program that is being offered to all families in the community.
- Dr. Jodi Megerle, assistant superintendent for student services, recognized “summer school heroes” for their contributions, including RTSD26 staff members Zach Scipione and Mary Flessas, and representatives from the River Trail Nature Center, Mount Prospect Public Library, Harper College, Mount Prospect Fire Department and the River Trails Park District.
- Dr. Megerle also recapped summer school and the positive feedback received from parents, students and staff. Among the final impressions: “staff was amazing,” “atmosphere was relaxed and fun,” and there was “positive community involvement.”
- Dr. Lyndl Schuster, assistant superintendent for business services, delivered a report on the budget for the next fiscal year. The Board approved the budget for public display, as required, until September 21, 2021. At that point there will be a public hearing prior to its adoption.
- President William Grimpe updated the Board on Public Relations Committee developments, including a reminder about the Prairie Trails Ribbon Cutting on Wednesday, August 11. He also presented the new school logos and mascots.

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17 at Prairie Trails School. You can email them at boe@rtsd26.org.