

Joint Northwest Youth Corps/Twin Rivers Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

April 9th, 2025, 4:30 PM- 5:30 PM

Present: Helen Haberman, Jeff Orlandini, Dennis Dover, Jane Kammerzelt, Liz Wigham, Scott Halpert, Erik Matissek, Kelly Southworth, Alec Marlega, Steve Dubiel, Kate Oborski, Jeff Parker, Kristin Humphrey, Sara Gangaware

Student Panel: Lily Gruschow (Blue Crew, 11th grade), Elizabeth Humphrey (Yellow Crew, 10th grade), Jordan Forsberg (Orange Crew, 9th grade), Avaya Gruschow (Red Crew, 8th grade)

- The meeting began with the review and approval of the February Minutes.
- There was no public comment or member of the public present at this meeting.
- The meeting shifted to the Student Panel. The students were asked about their experiences at the school, the insights they gained, and what they would tell someone considering attending the school. Students highlighted the welcoming atmosphere close-knit community, and supportive teachers and staff, including AmeriCorps members. The students appreciated the hands-on learning approach, outdoor activities, and life skills taught. They also mentioned the school's crew system, where students stay together in groups throughout the year, fostering trust and deeper connections. The principal is highly praised for her involvement and care for the students.
- Liz expressed her appreciation for the professionalism and progress made in addressing issues discussed in previous meetings.
- Kristin gave the Principal's Report for Quarter 3. She reported that the school currently has 61 students, with 31% being female-identifying. She gave a report of field weeks, attempted vs. earned credits, and noted all eight seniors are on track to graduate in June.
- The group reviewed the September joint meeting minutes. With an amendment to a line citing enrollment numbers, the minutes were approved. It was also raised that the meeting minutes available on the website needed to be updated.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 PM

Meeting minutes prepared by: Sara Gangaware, Executive Assistant, on behalf of

Jane Kammerzelt, Secretary: _____ Date: _____

Helen Haberman, President: _____ Date: _____

