

**Hillsdale Community Schools  
Board of Education**

**REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
February 27, 2023**

**I. Call to Order**

Treasurer Portteus called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. which was held in the Hillsdale High School library.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Recognition of Guests**

**Members Present**

Rebecca Portteus  
Leslie Bennett-Granata  
Eric Moore  
Patrick Flannery  
Dan LaRue

**Members Absent**

Nicole Hoffman  
Kathy Petersen

**Administration Present**

Shawn Vondra, Superintendent  
Laurie VanOrman, Gier Principal  
Barbara Wheeler, Davis Principal  
Josh Perrin, High School Principal  
David Pratt, Student Services / Athletic Director  
Laura Call, Food Service Director  
Jeremy LaFollette, Maintenance Director  
James Halley, Transportation Supervisor  
Patty Knapp, Business Manager

**Guests**

Becky LaFollette      Katie Stebelton

**IV. Consent Agenda**

Moved by Moore, supported by Flannery to approve the consent agenda as presented

A. Approval of Minutes - January 16, 2023 – regular board meeting

B. Finance

B-1. Treasurer's Receipts

Treasurer's receipts for January 2023 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 1,797,902.81
Building & Site	\$ 303,886.24
Food Service	\$ 16,598.60
Activity	\$ 32,685.96

B-2 Bills Payable

Expenditures for January 2023 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 1,836,875.45
Building & Site	\$ 223,018.65
Food Service	\$ 127,298.96
Activity	\$ 31,178.91

5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

B-3 Bills under separate action

Moved by Moore, supported by Flannery to approve bills under separate action as presented

<u>Check #</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
107102	Stillwell Ford Lincoln	\$1,119.96

4 Ayes 0 Nays (Granata abstained) Motion passed

**VI. Communications**

A. Written: None

B. Public: DMS Principal Wheeler commended MS Teachers and students for awards earned from the Michigan Art Association, MS Robotics, and MS BPA

**VII. Information & Proposals from Board, Superintendent & Staff**

Personnel & Finance 01/31

Building & Site 02/03

Community Relations 02/08

Instruction & Assessment 02/08

A. Superintendent's Report

-Amanda Koers - FMLA 01/10 - 01/25

- Janet Lum - Gier Secretary - retirement 06/16/2023

- Melissa Tesch - FMLA for family member - intermittent through 12/31/2023

- Jerrod Dillard - DMS Behavior Interventionist - resignation 03/10/2023

- Karrie Hughes - FMLA 01/27-01/30 - original leave and then intermittent leave dates

- Gier School Principal Search Process - 1st round interviews scheduled for 02/28 & 03/01 with four (4) candidates. Second round anticipated the following week. Ideally a finalist would be ready for the March board meeting.

- Progress monitoring canceled days of school: 7 full days + 2 hrs.

- November 14, 15, 16 - Cyber Security Closure (3 days)
- January 25 - Weather Closure (1 day)
- January 26 - 2 Hour Delay for Weather (2 hrs)
- February 22, 23, 24 - Weather Closures (3 days)

**VII. Old/New Business**

A. Board Affairs

1. School Bus Purchase

Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by LaRue to approve two school bus purchases in the amount of \$128,111.00 for a total of \$256,222.00 with Midwest Transit.

5 Ayes 0 nays Motion passed

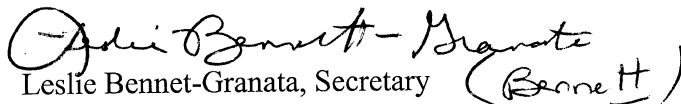
2. HHS Food Service Equipment Purchase  
Moved by Moore supported by Bennett-Granata to purchase HHS High School  
servery equipment from C&T Design & Equipment for \$168,309.37.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed
3. Building & Site Sinking Fund 41 2022-2023 Budget Revisions  
Moved by Moore supported by Bennett-Granata to adopt the Building & Site  
Sinking Fund 41 2022 - 2023 Budget Revisions as presented.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed
4. Building & Site Sinking Fund 42 2022-2023 Budget Revisions  
Moved by Moore supported by Bennett-Granata to adopt the Building & Site  
Sinking Fund 42 2022 - 2023 Budget Revisions as presented.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed
5. HHS Athletic Booster Club Donation  
Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by Moore to accept \$700.00 from the HHS  
Athletic Booster Club for soccer warm ups.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed
6. BPA State Leadership Conference Overnight  
Trip  
Moved by Moore supported by Bennett-Granata to approve the BPA State  
Leadership Conference Overnight Trip as presented.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed
7. Wrestling State Meet Overnight Trip  
Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by LaRue to approve the Wrestling State  
Meet Overnight Trip as presented.  
  
5 Ayes            0 nays            Motion passed

**IX. Addenda**

- A. Public Comment – none
- B. Board Member Comment- none

**X. Adjournment**

Treasurer Portteus adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

  
Leslie Bennet-Granata, Secretary (Bennett)  
Hillsdale Board of Education  
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