



BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
March 1, 2025

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, met in a Special Meeting on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the E. J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan, 48170.

Present: Members Ahmed, Christenson, Kehoe, Picard, Sidhu, Vos, and Westra
Absent: None

Administrators Present: Dr. Monica L. Merritt, Superintendent of Schools

Others Present: Ms. Penny Kentish McWilliams, Michigan Association of School Boards Consultant
Ms. Diane Robertson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board

President Christenson called the Special Meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. in the Boardroom.

Citizens' Comments:

- John Johnston expressed thanks to the Board and delivered cards.

Special Meeting Topic

Board Governance Workshop

Board members and Superintendent Merritt participated in a workshop led by Ms. Penny Kentish McWilliams, a consultant from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB). She guided discussions on the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Education and facilitated a review of the Working as an Effective Governance Team materials. The session also included a review of the Board of Education's Core Operating Principles.

As part of the discussion, the group reached a consensus to adjust the placement of citizens' comments on future Board agendas, moving the public comment section before administrative reports. Additionally, Policy #0167.3 will be referred to the Policy Committee to extend the comment submission window.

Supplementary materials were provided during the workshop for future reference.

*Member Sidhu left at 4:07 p.m.

President Christenson adjourned the Special Meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Judy Westra
Secretary, Board of Education