BOARD OF EDUCATION of the LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of July 21, 2025

President Bradford convened the meeting at 5:36 pm

Members Present: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland

Members Absent: None

Audience Communication	None
District Update from the Superintendent	Superintendent Oquist highlighted summer activities, summer camps, renovations, and District points of pride.
Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement with Livonia Secretarial Association (LSA)	It was moved by Mrs. Frank and supported by Mr. Johnson that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District enter into a three-year contract with the Livonia Secretarial Association, whose agreement has been ratified by LSA members. Said contract shall continue until June 30, 2028. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Recommendation for Student Services Coordinator	It was moved by Mr. MacFarland and supported by Mrs. Acosta that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint William Parrinello as Student Services Coordinator Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Recommendation for Emerson Principal	t was moved by Mrs. Jarvis and supported by Mrs. Frank that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Brian Jensen as Principal at Emerson Middle School. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland

Nays: None

Recommendation for Cooper Assistant Principal

It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Rachel Dzikowski as Assistant Principal at Cooper Upper Elementary.

Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland
Nays: None

Teachers for Approval

It was moved by Mrs. Burton and supported by Mrs. Frank that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and offer employment for the 2025-2026 school year to the following teachers:

Emma Akouri / 1.0 FTE / Johnson
David Allesandrini / 1.0 FTE / Stevenson
Marina Armelagos / 1.0 / Riley
Kaitlyn Boris / 1.0 / Riley
Emily Bowen / 1.0 FTE / Rosedale
Hailey Broome / 1.0 FTE / Buchanan
Nicholas Davis / 1.0 FTE / Webster
Adrienne Engelsen / 1.0 FTE / Buchanan
Cal Fournier / 1.0 FTE / Frost (.7), Churchill (.3)
Katie Fournier / 1.0 / Rosedale
Madeline Gordon / 1.0/ Student Services
Haley Gorman / 1.0 / Grant
Madeline Gullion / 1.0 FTE / Holmes
Alexa Hight / 1.0 FTE / Randolph
Tylee Hunter / 1.0 FTE / Student Services
Jessica Marcoux / 1.0 FTE / Cooper
Aimee Meeker / 10. FTE / Stevenson
Olivia Oquist / 1.0 FTE / Rosedale
Hailey Petrovich / 1.0 FTE / Franklin
Elizabeth Reider / 1.0 FTE / Kennedy
Emily Schettenhelm / 1.0 FTE / Buchanan
Kimberly Simon / 0.5 FTE / Webster
Rachel Teets / 1.0 FTE / Randolph
Nichole Thompson / 1.0 FTE / Student Services
Akash Watsa / 1.0 FTE / Holmes

Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland
Nays: None

Retirements

It was moved by Mrs. Acosta and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the resolutions of appreciation for services rendered by:

Kathleen Hartley

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Kathleen Hartley has retired from the district on June 5, 2025; and,
WHEREAS, Kathleen Hartley has devoted 24.9 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to Livonia Public Schools as a special education paraprofessional at Tyler Elementary, Hull Elementary, Coolidge Elementary, Frost Middle School, Cooper Upper Elementary, Johnson Upper Elementary, Holmes Middle School, Emerson Middle School, Randolph Elementary and Churchill High School; and,
WHEREAS, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Kathleen Hartley for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

Cynthia Herbeck

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Cynthia Herbeck will retire from the district on August 29, 2025; and,
WHEREAS, Cynthia Herbeck has devoted 26.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to Livonia Public Schools as a clerk at Cooper Elementary and Hayes Elementary and as a secretary at Adams Elementary, in the Food Service Department, Garfield Elementary and in Elementary Programs; and,
WHEREAS, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Cynthia Herbeck for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

Walter Klotz

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Walter Klotz will retire from the district on July 31, 2025; and,
WHEREAS, Walter Klotz has devoted 28.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to Livonia Public Schools as a materials production technician in the Printing Department; and,
WHEREAS, He has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Walter Klotz for his countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

Myra Pearson

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Myra Pearson has retired from the district on July 15, 2025; and,
WHEREAS, Myra Pearson has devoted 29.6 of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Churchill High School and Holmes Middle

	School, a driver in the Food Service Department and Transportation Department and as the head shipper/receiver in the Warehouse Department; and, WHEREAS, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Myra Pearson for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Adoption of 2025-2026 Bylaws to Establish Meeting Dates and Other Procedures	It was moved Mrs. Frank and supported by Mr. MacFarland that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt Bylaws to establish 2025-2026 Board meeting dates, procedures for the calling and posting of Board Meetings, and authorization to sign contracts and legal documents for the Board. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Designation of 2025-2026 Bank Depositories	It was moved by Mr. MacFarland and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District designate JP Morgan Chase Bank and Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus as depositories for the School District during the 2025-2026 school year. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Appointment of Investment Officer	It was moved by Mrs. Jarvis and supported by Mr. Johnson that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District appoint the Treasurer, Mrs. Alison Smith, as Investment Officer in conjunction with the District's Investment Policy for the 2025-2026 school year. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Appointment of Staff Member to be in Charge of Elections	It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mrs. Frank that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District appoint William Green to oversee school elections for

	the 2025-2026 school year. This appointment is made by the Board Secretary with formal acknowledgement by the Board. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Appointment of Staff Member Responsible for Posting Board Meeting Notices	It was moved by Mrs. Burton and supported by Mrs. Frank that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District appoint the Superintendent as administrator in charge of posting meeting notices. This appointment is made by the Board Secretary with formal acknowledgement by the Board. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Consent Agenda	It was moved by Mrs. Acosta and supported by Mr. Johnson that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the following consent Agenda items: VII. A. *Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 23, 2025 VII.B. *Minutes of the Public Hearing of June 23, 2025 Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Establishment of Tuition Rate for 2025-2026	It was moved by Mrs. Frank and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District establish the tuition rate for the 2025-2026 school year at $15,045.00 for non-resident students per Board Policy JBCB Non-Resident Students. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Approval to Purchase Copy Paper	It was moved by Mr. MacFarland and supported by Mrs. Burton that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the purchase of copy paper from Contract Paper Group, Cuyahoga Falls, OH at an amount not to exceed $146,520.00.

	Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Approval of Fuel Master System Purchase	It was moved by Mrs. Jarvis and supported by Mr. Johnson that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the funding of updates and upgrades to the District's Fuel Master Monitoring System from Oscar W. Larson, Clarkston, MI in a total approved amount of $41,282.00 which includes 5% contingency. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
i-Ready Diagnostic Purchase	It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mrs. Frank that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the recommendation to purchase i-Ready Diagnostic licenses for K-8 grade students from Curriculum Associates, N. Billerica MA, for a total cost of $107,353.60. Ayes: Acosta, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson, MacFarland Nays: None
Hearing from Board Members	Mr. Johnson shared greetings with the community. He and his colleagues expressed excitement for the 2025-2026 school year and look forward to next year's work. Mrs. Frank expressed excitement for the new Cabinet roles and responsibilities. Mrs. Bradford shared that the LPS Board of Education was honored by being selected to present at the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) Annual Fall Conference in Traverse city in October.
Adjournment	President Bradford adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

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