

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF HOLMEN
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, October 27, 2025

**To begin immediately following the conclusion of the Annual School District Meeting
(approximately 7:00 p.m.)
School Board Meeting Room
1019 McHugh Road
Holmen, Wisconsin 54636**

01. CALL TO ORDER by J. Dieck, Board President at 7:49 p.m.

02. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

03. ROLL CALL by M. Smith, Board Clerk

Board members present were Maggie Smith, Bridget Todd-Robbins, Barb Wuensch, Abigail Holthe (Student Representative), Jennifer Dieck, Khadijah Islam, Chris Lau, and Lindsay Nied.

04. NOTICE OF QUORUM by J. Dieck, Board President

With seven Board members present, J. Dieck declared a quorum.

05. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the agenda for the October 27, 2025 Board meeting. Motion made by C. Lau, seconded by M. Smith. Motion carried.

06. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one addressed the Board.

07. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

7.1 District Administrator Status Report Summary

District Administrator Dr. Kristin Mueller congratulated all fall student-athletes and those in fall clubs on successful seasons. Dr. Mueller invited everyone to open houses at Viking, Evergreen, and the middle school on November 15 from 10 am to 12 pm to tour the new and remodeled spaces.

7.2 Police Liaison Report

08. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

8.1 2025-26 Budget – Original Budget

Executive Director of Finance and Operations Julie Holman recommended the Board approve the 2025-26 Original Budget as presented at the 2025 Annual Meeting/Budget Hearing.

8.2 2025 Certification of Tax Levy

J. Holman recommended the Board set the tax levy for the 2025-26 school year at \$12,339,467 for Fund 10: General Fund, \$10,724,000 for Fund 39: Referendum Debt Service and \$200,000 for Fund 80: Community Service. This recommendation was approved by the electorate at the 2025 Annual School District Meeting.

8.3 Transportation Contract

Executive Director of Student Services Jill Mason presented for approval on tonight's consent agenda a transportation contract to provide mandated services. Within ESSA, we are obligated to provide transportation to students in foster care.

09. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the October 27, 2025 Consent Agenda as presented, which includes: September 22, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes; Personnel Report; Financial Claims and Accounts; Budget Status Reports; Early College Credit Program/Start College Now Requests; Resolution for Modification of School Start Date for 2026-27; 2025-26 Budget – Original Budget; 2025 Certification of Tax Levy; and Second Reading of Board Policies: 2261.01 Parent and Family Engagement in Title I Programs, 2522 Library Media Centers, 4213 Student Supervision and Welfare, 5112 Entrance Age, 5310.01 Emergency Nursing Services/Plan, 5411 Third Grade Promotion and Retention: At-Risk Students, 5464 Early Graduation, 5530 Student Use or Possession of Intoxicants, Drugs, or Paraphernalia, 5771 Search and Seizure, and 8420 School Safety. Motion made by M. Smith and seconded by C. Lau. Motion carried.

10. BOARD DEBRIEF

10.1 Board Member comments/reinforcement and committee reports

M. Smith thanked Julie and the team that put together data for tonight. She noted that she attended the Pump House artist celebration for her son. M. Smith called out all those that are making the fun runs happen at elementary schools and congratulated Mike Gasper on his appointment as School Nutrition Hero for the month of October.

B. Todd-Robbins reported the Excellence in Education met and approved the purpose statement and received an update from the District's Hate and Bias Response Team (HaBRT). She stated the team is doing amazing work. B. Todd-Robbins said the committee had great discussion around the logistics of a family liaison team and the next meeting will be on December 8.

B. Wuensch noted that she was appointed by WI State Superintendent Jill Underly to the Blind and Vision Impairment Council, which advises, reviews quality services, and proposes ways to improve services. She said she is excited to be on the council to determine how we can better serve visually impaired students.

A. Holthe reported that she attended the Excellence in Education Committee and the discussion was eye-opening. She stated she has seen the positive impact of the HaBRT on the culture of the school. She noted the student-athletes are having a lot of success in the tournament season and students are approaching the middle of the semester.

K. Islam thanked all those that attended tonight's meeting and gave extra kudos to J. Holman for her presentation.

C. Lau thanked all those that came out tonight and noted a lot of work goes into tonight's report. He stated that he attended the middle school choir concert last week and it was the first time he remembers there being standing room only in the Fine Arts Center. He gave kudos to Mr. Rickert.

L. Nied stated she attended the Excellence in Education Committee and there was a lot of brainstorming of ways to provide students what they need. She encouraged anyone who is watching to find out more about Board committees and attend a meeting.

J. Dieck thanked all those involved in the annual meeting as it takes a lot of work. She congratulated the volleyball team on their regional championship and wished them well as they move on in playoffs. J. Dieck stated she took part in the walking school bus at Sand Lake and was amazed at the number of people that participated. She also attended the high school play and middle school choral concert and is amazed by what the students can do.

10.2 Correspondence received

10.3 School Board Committee Written Reports

- a. April 28, 2025 Finance Committee Notes
- b. September 22, 2025 Finance Committee Notes

10.4 Board Self-Evaluation

10.5 Board Meeting Schedule

- a. November 5, 2025 Wellness Committee Meeting, 3:45 pm
- b. November 10, 2025 Finance Committee Meeting, 5 pm
- c. November 10, 2025 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- d. November 24, 2025 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- e. December 1, 2025 Board Workshop, 5 pm
- f. January 21-23, 2026 State Education Convention – Milwaukee

11. ADJOURNMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourns the regular meeting of October 27, 2025 at 8:05 p.m. Moved by C. Lau. Seconded B. Todd-Robbins. Motion carried.

Submitted by Maggie Smith, Board Clerk.

