



**FLUSHING BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES  
ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING  
Central Elementary School  
January 13, 2026**

**Members Present**

Ausiello, Bate, Dolgan, LeCureux, Sheldon, Strnad, Winkiel

**Members Absent**

None

**Student Representatives Present**

Burba, Coleman

**Other Participants**

Shanafelt, Melynchek, Barrett, Read, Keesling

**Patrons and Guests**

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**Call to Order**

President Sheldon called the organizational board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

**Board Reorganization**

• *Election of Officers*

**Election of President**

A nomination was made for Janice Winkiel for Election of President.

A roll call was taken for Election of President: Bate – Winkiel; Dolgan – Winkiel; LeCureux – Winkiel; Sheldon – Winkiel; Strnad – Winkiel; Winkiel – Winkiel; Ausiello - Winkiel.

A motion was made by Ausiello, to affirm that Board member, Winkiel, received at least four votes, and is hereby elected President of the Flushing Community Schools Board of Education for 2026.

A roll call vote was taken: Dolgan – yes; LeCureux – yes; Sheldon – yes; Strnad – yes; Winkiel – yes; Ausiello – yes; Bate – yes. The motion carried 7-0.

**Election of Vice-President**

A nomination was made for Kimberly Strnad and Salvatore Ausiello for Election of Vice-President.

A roll call was taken for Election of Vice-President: LeCureux – Strnad; Sheldon – Strnad; Strnad – Strnad; Winkiel – Ausiello; Ausiello – Ausiello; Bate – Strnad; Dolgan – Strnad.

A motion was made by Dolgan, to affirm that Board member, Strnad, received at least four votes, and is hereby elected Vice-President of the Flushing Community Schools Board of Education for 2026.

A roll call vote was taken: Sheldon – yes; Strnad – yes; Winkiel – no; Ausiello – no; Bate – yes; Dolgan – yes; LeCureux – yes. The motion carried 5-2.

**Election of Secretary**

A nomination was made for Eddie Dolgan and Terry Bate for Election of Secretary.

A roll call was taken for Election of Secretary: Strnad –Dolgan; Winkiel – Dolgan; Ausiello – Dolgan; Bate – Dolgan; Dolgan – Dolgan; LeCureux – Dolgan; Sheldon – Dolgan.

A motion was made by Strnad, to affirm that Board member, Dolgan, received at least four votes, and is hereby elected Secretary of the Flushing Community Schools Board of Education for 2026.

A roll call vote was taken: Winkiel – yes; Ausiello – yes; Bate – yes; Dolgan – yes; LeCureux – yes; Sheldon – yes; Strnad – yes. The motion carried 7-0.

### **Election of Treasurer**

A nomination was made for Megan LeCureux for Election of Treasurer.

A roll call was taken for Election of Treasurer: Ausiello – LeCureux; Bate – LeCureux; Dolgan – LeCureux; LeCureux – LeCureux; Sheldon – LeCureux; Strnad – LeCureux; Winkiel – LeCureux.

A motion was made by Strnad, to affirm that Board member, LeCureux, received at least four votes, and is hereby elected Treasurer of the Flushing Community Schools Board of Education for 2026.

A roll call vote was taken: Bate – yes; Dolgan – yes; LeCureux – yes; Sheldon – yes; Strnad – yes; Winkiel – yes; Ausiello – yes. The motion carried 7-0.

- ***Establishing Dates, Times, and Location of Meetings***

A motion was made by Ausiello, supported by LeCureux, to approve that Regular Meetings of the Board of Education for the 2026 year shall convene at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom in the Administration Building, 522 N. McKinley Road (unless indicated elsewhere) on the following dates:

January 13, 2026 – <b>5:00 p.m.</b> Organizational Meeting (Central Elementary)	June 23, 2026 - <b>5:30 p.m.</b>
February 10, 2026 – <b>5:00 p.m.</b> (Elms Elementary)	July 21, 2026 - <b>5:30 p.m.</b>
March 17, 2026 (Springview Elementary)	August 11, 2026 - <b>5:30 p.m.</b>
April 21, 2026 (Seymour Elementary)	September 15, 2026 (High School)
May 19, 2026 (Early Childhood Center)	October 20, 2026 (RVA)
June 2, 2026	November 17, 2026 (Middle School)
	December 15, 2026 (Middle School)

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

- ***Adoption of Bylaws and Policies for the Board***

A motion was made by LeCureux, supported by Strnad, to adopt the bylaws and policies of the Board of Education, as they currently stand and subject to subsequent revision, for the 2026 year.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

### **Minutes**

- ***Approval of Minutes from December 9, 2025 – Regular Meeting***

A motion was made by Dolgan, supported by LeCureux, to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting as circulated.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

### **Communications and Recognition**

- ***Recognition of Morgan Waier and Central's Student Athlete Leadership Club***

Principal Steinhaus recognized Central PE Teacher Morgan Waier and the new Student Athlete Leadership Club she started this year at Central.

- ***Student Representative Report***

Student Board Representatives Burba and Coleman reported on recent activities at FHS.

- ***January 2026 – School Board Recognition Month***

Superintendent Shanafelt thanked the Board of Education for their service and dedication to the students, staff, and community of Flushing. Deputy Superintendent Melynchek provided the Board with a list of each board member and which school has adopted them.

### **Hearing the Public**

None.

### **Financial Report**

Director of Finance Read presented the financial report as submitted in the board packet.

### **Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills**

A motion was made by LeCureux, supported by Dolgan, to approve the payment of bills as funds become available.

January 13, 2026	Accounts Payable	\$1,358,822.67
	ACH Withdrawals	\$ 420,080.77
	Estimated Payroll (01/23/2026)	\$1,612,000.00
	Estimated Payroll (02/06/2026)	<u>\$1,610,000.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,000,903.44</b>

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

### **Old Business**

- ***Approval of Second Reading and Final Adoption of Revised NEOLA Board Policies: 2210, 2266, 2412, 4162, 5517.01, 7540.02***

A motion was made by Dolgan, supported by Bate, to approve the second reading and final adoption of the following revised NEOLA Board Policies, as submitted in the board packet: 2210, 2266, 2412, 4162, 5517.01, 7540.02.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

### **New Business**

- ***Approval of Designation of District Liaison and Alternate to GCASBM Executive Committee***

A motion was made by Dolgan, supported by Ausiello, to approve the designation of board member, Janice Winkiel, to serve as the District Liaison, and board member, Salvatore Ausiello, to serve as the District Alternate to the GCASBM Executive Committee.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

- ***Approval to Pilot Intro to Language and Advanced Robotics Elective Courses at FMS***

A motion was made by Strnad, supported by Sheldon, to approve the request to pilot an *Intro to Language* elective course and *Advanced Robotics* elective course at FMS, as submitted in the board packet.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

- ***Approval to Pilot Intro to Theater, Zoology, and Sports and Society Elective Courses at FHS***

A motion was made by Strnad, supported by Dolgan, to approve the request to pilot an *Intro to Theater* elective course, *Intro to Zoology* elective course, and an *Intro to Sports and Society* elective course at FHS. The *Intro to Zoology* course comes with a proposed start-up cost of \$2,407.64, as well as a recurring yearly cost of \$712.04 for dissection units, as submitted in the board packet.

The motion carried with all members voting yes.

***Trustee Bate left the meeting at 6:08 p.m.***

- ***Approval of Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip Request for FHS Band/Orchestra***

A motion was made by Strnad, supported by Sheldon, to approve the request for FHS Band/Orchestra students to participate in the National Band and Orchestra Festival at Carnegie Hall in New York City, New York from March 24-27, 2027, as submitted in the board packet.

This trip is approved under the following stipulations:

1. A minimum of one-half of the student group must commit to this trip with written permission from a parent/guardian.
2. The Board of Education may rescind the approval for this trip at any time.

The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

- ***Approval to Purchase Property***

A motion was made by Ausiello, supported by Dolgan, to approve the purchase of a 0.15 acre of property commonly known as V/L Carpenter Road, Flushing 48433, located in the Township of Flushing, County of Genesee, Michigan, for the sum of \$3,477.00, as submitted in the board packet.

The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

**Reports and Discussion**

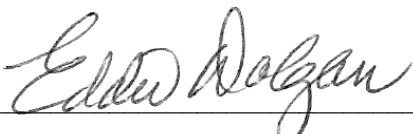
- ***State of Schools Update***

Superintendent Shanafelt gave an update on the state of the schools.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. as motioned by Ausiello and supported by Dolgan.

Submitted by:

  
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Eddie R. Dolgan, Secretary