



BOARD OF EDUCATION
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MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026
7:00 PM, MEDIA CENTER
HASLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL

Present: Collins/Clark/Fritz/Polverento/Stoliker/Wawrzynski
Absent with notice: Bird

Staff: Malley/Lerch/Brandell/Kioski/Davis/Hamilton/K. Hatch/H. Hatch/Fisher/Rooney/Weaver/
Batten/Lerch/Booms/Chandell/Murton/Leemon/Birchman/Bloxom/Wheeler/Amachree/Lowell/
Heins/Grabemeyer/Cull/Stansell/Djoko/Wawro/Hampton/Simpkins/Dykman/Tait/Feeny

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Resignation

Abigail Kersten, Fifth Grade Teacher at Ralya, has resigned effective March 3, 2026. Abigail had been on extended leave for the 2025-26 school year.

2. Personnel Recommendation

Zach Davis is being recommended for the School Psychologist position serving both the High School and Middle School. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Michigan State University and a Masters in School Psychology from University of Detroit Mercy.

3. Student Advisory

Superintendent Malley thanked Rick Fritz and Tracy Collins for joining the February Student Advisory Meeting. During the session, students learned about the adoption and implementation of board policies and how they support the district.

4. District Shout Outs

The district continues to receive shout outs for staff. Emilie Weaver was recently recognized for assisting a family by serving as a translator as well as district administrator during a meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Ingham ISD (Attachment A)

Jason Mellema, Superintendent of Ingham Intermediate School District, presented the Ingham County Special Education Bond Proposal for the May 5, 2026, Ballot.

2. High School Kitchen Renovation Proposal (Attachment B)

Superintendent Malley shared the proposal for high school kitchen renovations.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time limit for public participation during the meeting, as indicated on the agenda.

Bids were reviewed with proposals ranging from \$494,454 to \$570,000 and details of the project were shared with the Finance/Facilities Committee on March 5, 2026. The proposal to approve renovations at the high school kitchen using Nielson Commercial Construction at a bid of \$494,454 and allocated to the sinking fund is an action item on the April 13, 2026, agenda.

V. **BOARD REPORTS**

1. **Policy/Personnel Committee Report**

Trustee Clark reported that the committee discussed the Director of Finance position as well as MASA and MASB evaluation tools.

2. **Finance/Facilities Committee Report**

Chairperson Polverento reported on several committee topics, including the kitchen project, 31aa funding, updated purchasing guidelines, the facilities study timeline, the sinking fund review, and an upcoming RFP for custodial services.

3. **Items from Board Members**

Trustee Polverento commended the students for their 15th and 16th-place finishes at the state diving meet. Additionally, she expressed appreciation to Superintendent Malley and President Collins in listening to concerned individuals and for their review of legal and ethical guidelines aimed at safeguarding students.

President Collins shared information on the MASB Conference on May 1 & 2. Anyone interested in attending should contact Mrs Lerch. She also thanked everyone for their involvement in the Polar Plunge. It was COLD but worth it as the event exceeded its earnings goal.

VI. **CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Three Minute Time Limit)**

Board Correspondence

Secretary Clark received information regarding displaying an item in school buildings and polar plunge participation.

Correspondence from Public

The following individuals presented public comment: D. Kroeger/H. Kroeger/Lynch/Huberts/G. Hatch/Rooney/Geiersbach

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION BY CLARK, SUPPORTED BY WAWRZYNSKI TO APPROVE:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 24, 2026, WORKSHOP AND MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 24, 2026, CLOSED SESSION MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 3, 2026, POLICY/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING, AS PRESENTED
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 5 2026, FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
5. APPROVAL OF ZACH DAVIS FOR THE POSITION OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST.

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 6-0

VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be held on April 13, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Haslett Administration Office.

IX. **CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION BY CLARK, SUPPORTED BY POLVERENTO TO MOVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:58 PM AT THE REQUEST OF SUPERINTENDENT MALLEY FOR MID-YEAR EVALUATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(1)(a) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT MCL.15.268, SECTION 8(1)(c) FOR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, AND SECTION 8(1)(d) TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY.

Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY CLARK, SUPPORTED BY STOLIKER TO ADJOURN AT 9:50 PM.

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 6-0

Date Approved _____

Board Secretary _____

(S. Lerch, Recorder)