



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
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MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026  
7:00 PM, BOARDROOM  
HASLETT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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

Staff: Malley/Hamilton/Lerch/Rolfs/Cull/Sass/Rhodes/Weaver/Butcher/Bloxom

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

III. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. **Shout Outs**

Mr. Sass was thanked by a high school senior that appreciates his support and kindness over the past four years.

2. **Retirements**

- A. Kate Daniels has announced her resignation for the purpose of retirement effective April 30, 2026. Ms. Daniels is the Childcare Teacher at Wilkshire Early Childhood Center.
- B. Sheryl Lemonde has announced her resignation for the purpose of retirement effective May 1, 2026. Sheryl works as the Accounting Secretary for Community Education.
- C. Elizabeth Martin, Teacher at Murphy Elementary, has announced her resignation for the purpose of retirement effective June 5, 2026. Ms. Martin was thanked for her 24 years of service.

3. **Personnel Recommendation**

Jared Immel is being recommended for the position of Director of Finance, effective May 1, 2026. Mr. Immel joins us from the Michigan Department of Education. He holds a Bachelors of Arts in Elementary Education with a Minor in Leadership of Organizations from Michigan State University and a Masters of Business Administration from Louisiana State University.

IV. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. **MLK Essay Presentation**

Charlotte Nance, Haslett Middle School Student and award recipient, presented her award winning essay. Charlotte's entry was moving and insightful and won first place in this contest.

2. **Visual Thinking Strategies** (Attachment B)

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.

Heidi Rhodes (Ralya Art Teacher) presented on a Visual Literacy professional development attended by herself and Elana Waugh (WECC Steam Teacher). The collaboration and training supports curriculum in all subject areas and they are excited to see this expand into the classrooms going forward.

3. **High School English Presentation** (Attachment C)

Mike Sass, Sarah Rohlf, & Jeanine Cull, High School English Teachers, highlighted a collaboration they participated in with MSU, PBS, and the NWP titled "American Creed" and explained how each implemented the program into their English 10 Honors and English 12 courses through writing.

4. **National Merit Scholars**

Mrs. Butcher, High School Principal, recognized our National Merit semifinalist and finalist, Phoebe Elder and Neel Ginter. In addition to being National Merit Scholars, both students were also nominated for the Presidential Scholars recognition. Neel is currently in the running as a finalist.

5. **Professional Development Day** (Attachment D)

Nick Hamilton, Associate Superintendent provided an overview of the recent staff professional development. He shared the opportunities available to staff as well as the reflection of the day from the staff.

V. **BOARD REPORTS**

1. **Policy/Personnel Committee Report**

Chairperson Wawrzynski reported the committee discussed School of Choice, the Director Finance position as well as the Superintendent Evaluation tool. The operational procedures were tabled until the next meeting and a public comment card was reviewed.

2. **Finance/Facilities Committee Report**

Chairperson Polverento reported meeting with Kingscott Associates. The RFP, Superintendent Evaluation tool, 25-26 budget, 26-27 budget assumptions, and School of Choice resolution were also discussed.

3. **Items from Board Members**

President Collins thanked everyone for their work in preparing for the upcoming prom. She wishes everyone a safe and enjoyable event.

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

**Board Correspondence**

Secretary Clark reported receiving three emails; 1) legal obligations, 2) FOIA request, 3) financial irregularities.

**Correspondence from Public**

The following individuals presented public comment: Rogers/Geiersbach/Kessner

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SUPPORTED BY WAWRZYNSKI TO APPROVE:

1. MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 16, 2026, REGULAR MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
2. MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 16, 2026, CLOSED SESSION MEETING, AS PRESENTED.

3. MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 7, 2026, POLICY/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
4. MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 9, 2026, FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
5. CONTRACT FOR JARED IMMEL AS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, AS PRESENTED. (Attachment E)
6. SCHOOL OF CHOICE RESOLUTION, AS PRESENTED. (Attachment A)

**Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 7-0**

VIII. **ACTION ITEM**

**Approval of High School Kitchen Renovation**

Jim Davis, Director of Food Service, Steve Kioski, Director of Facilities, and Superintendent Malley are recommending high school kitchen renovations using Nielsen Commercial Construction Company at an estimated cost of \$494,454.00, primarily allocated to the sinking fund and supplementing with food service reserves.

MOTION BY POLVERENTO SUPPORTED BY BIRD TO APPROVE THE HIGH SCHOOL KITCHEN RENOVATIONS USING NIELSON COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$494,454.00, PRIMARILY ALLOCATED TO THE SINKING FUND AND SUPPLEMENTING WITH FOOD SERVICE RESERVES.

**Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 7-0**

IX. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be held on April 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Haslett Administration Building.

X. **CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION BY CLARK, SUPPORTED BY WAWRZYNSKI TO MOVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:13 PM PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(1)(c) & 8(1)(d) 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: 7 ayes, 0 nays**

XI. **ACTION ITEM**

**Approval of Resolution for Purchase of Real Property**

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI SUPPORTED BY CLARK TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHMENT "I." (Attachment F)

XII. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY CLARK, SUPPORTED BY POLVERENTO TO ADJOURN AT 9:22 PM.

**Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 7-0**

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Board Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

(S. Lerch, Recorder)