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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, March 2, 2026
6:00 p.m.
DHS Community Meeting Room

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Holly Halabicky
Alicia Hensley
Shannon McKee
Kurtis McMahan
Granger Stefanko
Ben Vick

MEMBER ABSENT: Diane Rhines

ADMINISTRATION: Matt Lobban, Superintendent
Amy Chorley, Executive Director of Student Services
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information
Joshua Evans, Director of Business Services
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum
Christine Kuzinski, Director of HR and Operations
Dana Melaragni, Director of Special Education
John Chesley, Hahn Dean of Students
Andrew Criswell, Thomson Elementary Principal
Lisa Duprey, Hill Elementary Principal
Cayla Dowdall, Davison Middle School Assistant Principal
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Natalie Miller, Gates Elementary Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Principal
Tim Pizzala, DMS Dean of Students
Melissa Williams, Central Elementary Principal

STAFF: AJ Babcock, Cynthia and Michael McCollum, Anthony Schaaf, Dexter Taylor, Meredith Wheatley

OTHER GUESTS: Bob Beckelic, Brett and Nicole Beckett, Amy Clous, Dustin Clous, Tierney Dochenetz, Jenni Doolan, Jason and Jessica Gatica, Suzanne Gee, Erica Graska, Brooke Haskins, Holli Hollister, Heather Laetz, Alicia Lonteen, Sydney McKenna, Bill and Lindsey Osmun, Brian and Keshe Ramage, Venessa Ramage, Alex Richardson, Janet Robertson, Brenda Ruddock, Seth and Angela Ruddock, Monica Schleiger, Becca and Alex Spooner, Mallory Simms

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ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Halabicky at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Thomson Elementary Principal Andrew Criswell and a select group of student leaders from Kindergarten, Developmental Kindergarten, and ECSE Preschool. These students were chosen by their teachers for consistently demonstrating Cardinal Code behavior throughout the school year. Each student has received a certificate and a medal and has had their photo placed on display in the Thomson hallway to celebrate their dedication to our school values. Congratulations to these outstanding young learners for being such incredible role models all year long!

ROLL CALL: Robin Ricica read the roll. Members present: Holly Halabicky, Alicia Hensley, Shannon McKee, Kurtis McMahan, Granger Stefanko, Ben Vick. Member absent: Diane Rhines

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Ben Vick, to approve the consent agenda which includes items 1 to 5 below:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the regular and closed session minutes for the previous meeting of February 2, 2026. Approval of the minutes distributed for committee meetings held since the February 2 Board meeting.

2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills through February 20, 2026:

   AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund: $2,389,430.53

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report through February 20, 2026.

4. **Approval of Personnel Report:** Attached for your review is a summary of personnel activity for the period through February 26, 2026. Holly Halabicky, Chair of the Personnel Committee, has reviewed this report.

5. **Approval of Budget Revision:** Attached for your review and approval is a general fund budget revision. The revision incorporates updated student enrollment data, known and anticipated changes in funding and other relevant information. The revision has been reviewed by the Board Finance Committee.

The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations:

KIDS FIRST AWARD RECOGNITION: Hahn Intermediate and Davison Middle School Security Officer AJ Babcock was honored as our February "Kids First Employee of the Month." This employee recognition initiative was developed to recognize employees for going above and beyond the call of duty to meet the needs of the children they serve. The program is sponsored by Mark Owen of MEEMIC Insurance in Davison.

CARDINAL SPIRIT AWARD RECOGNITION: We are very fortunate to have many dedicated individuals from our community who are passionate and loyal in their support and service to the students and staff at Davison Community Schools. To acknowledge these fine citizens, we have established the Cardinal Spirit Award. Individuals can be nominated by any DCS staff member and are given to their building principal. Once a month, the building principal can submit one name for that month's drawing. This month, we were pleased to recognize Gates Elementary "Compost Mom," Jenni Doolan.

BOARD GOALS UPDATE: A presentation on the updates to the Board of Education goal areas which include Instruction, Climate, and Resources was given. These goal areas remain a focus for the district and this presentation provided an opportunity to share on the growth and needs of the board goals, strategies and action steps.

From the Public: Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board. No one from the public signed up to speak.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF POWERLIFTING TEAM OVERNIGHT TRIP: The powerlifting coach requested the Board's authorization to plan a trip to Killean, Texas for eight students to compete in Nationals from March 26-29, 2026. Details of the trip were provided. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to approve the overnight trip for our Powerlifting Team in Killean, Texas. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF ACC MATERIALS: The ACC has approved textbook and curriculum resource proposals for the 2026/2027 school year. These proposed materials were reviewed and supported by the Board Curriculum Committee on February 13, 2026. The details, outlined in a memorandum from Director of Curriculum Dr. Angela Hards, were included and the Board was provided with the opportunity to review bound related supportive material. Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Ben Vick, to approve the textbook and curriculum resource proposal for the 2026/2027 school year. Motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS: Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Ben Vick, to gratefully accept the following contribution and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

- Dan Raynak donated $500 to the Cool to Care campaign received through Matt Wasson's class.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

From the Superintendent

Last week, Superintendent Lobban attended a conference in Bay City with Genesee County superintendents. The conference provided a valuable opportunity to collaborate and discuss strategies for strengthening county-wide goals and supporting the academic needs of students.

He also recognized the many successes of our winter sports teams.

State Representative David Martin visited the district today and toured several of our CTE programs, including DTV, Health Sciences, Early Middle College, Technology, Co-Op, Automotive, Engineering/Mechatronics, and Carpentry.

A special Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18, 2026 to discuss the superintendent's evaluation at 6:00 p.m. in the Cardinal Center Boardroom. Robin Ricica distributed evaluation materials needed to complete the evaluation.

Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (from Board members)

There were no comments made by the Board.

Future Meeting Dates:

Special Board Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2026
6:00 p.m.
Cardinal Center Boardroom
1490 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, Monday, April 13, 2026
6:00 p.m.
DHS Community Meeting Room
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

CLOSED SESSION #1 - REGARDING A STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER: Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Granger Stefanko, to convene into closed session at 6:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a student disciplinary matter. The student's parent requested the matter be heard in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8[b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. The motion was carried with a roll call vote of 6-yes, 0-no. No action was taken in closed session.

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RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Granger Stefanko, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:06 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTER: Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Alicia Hensley, that the student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year for a violation of the student code of conduct. After which time they may apply for possible reinstatement for the 2026-2027 school year. The motion was carried with a roll call vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

CLOSED SESSION #2 - REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS - Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to convene into closed session at 8:08 p.m. for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining pursuant to Section 8 (c) of the Michigan's Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 6-yes, 0-no. No action was taken in closed session.

REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:50 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Alicia Hensley, Secretary
Davison Board of Education