

**Records of Proceedings
Minutes of the Manchester
Regular Board of Education Meeting
April 21, 2026**

The Regular meeting of the Manchester Local Schools was called to order at by Mr. Jividen at 6:00 pm at Manchester High School MILL.

Roll call was taken:

Cindy McDonald
Rick Sponseller
Krisi Gindlesperger
Jason Jividen
Dale Jolly

High School students present the Roller Coaster Project that they completed in Mr. Ball and Mrs. Smith's Science classes.

1. Motion by Sponseller, seconded by McDonald to approve the minutes of March 17, 2026 regular meeting, the financial statements, bank reconciliations and the bills paid the month of March, 2026 including vouchers 114635 through 114859.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
 Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
 Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-035

Reports were given for the following:

- A. Safety – Mr. Jividen
- B. Legislative – Mrs. Gindlesperger
- C. Athletics – Mr. Sponseller
- D. Construction/Buildings/Fine Arts – Mr. Jolly
- E. PLCC – Mr. Jividen
- F. Principals Report – Mr. Mauger

Public Participation –

A public meeting was held on the issue of re-employment of Sharon Gardner, Anthony Hite, Melinda Christy, Carol Grandjean and Laurie Knisely during their STRS service retirements.

No comments were made

Mark Yokum, Evan Hausch, Mike Hernandez and Cindy Kotsalief (reading Zach Kotsalief's statement) spoke about the impact Tim Paul has made on staff and students at the Middle School.

2. Motion by Jividen, seconded by Gindlesperger, per the recommendation of the Treasurer to approve the adoption of the Ohio Deferred Compensation Roth 457 Employer Option.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-036

3. Motion by Sponseller, seconded by McDonald, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer to approve the Student Accident Insurance for the 2026-2027 school year through Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company. (Special Report #2)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-037

4. Motion by Gindlesperger, seconded by Jividen, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer to approve the following new funds:

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| a. 019 9026 | State Library of Ohio Grant | \$2,000 |
| b. 019 9025 | Summit County Retired Teachers Assoc. | 3 - \$300/each |
| c. 019 9126 | Public School Grant Special Ed | \$ 1,500 |

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-038

5. Motion by McDonald, seconded by Sponseller, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Certified Retirement of Michael Ankrom as Teacher on May 31, 2026.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-039

6. Motion by Jividen, seconded by McDonald, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Classified Appointment of Heather Byall as Sub Playground/Teacher Aide effect 3/19/26.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;

Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-040

7. Motion by McDonald, seconded by Gindlesperger, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following Classified Retirements:

- a. Helen Bonfiglio
- b. Karen Morrow

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-041

8. Motion by Sponseller, seconded by Gindlesperger to approve the Supplemental Resignations of the following:

- a. Stephanie Durieux Band Section Leader
- b. Stacie Lindeman Red and Black (MS Newspaper)
- c. Mike Ankrom Senior Class Advisor
 Social Studies Department Head

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-042

9. Motion by Jolly, seconded by McDonald, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Supplemental Appointment of Ashley Midock as Volunteer Girls' Golf Coach.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-043

- 10 Motion by Jolly, seconded by Gindlesperger, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the contract with Kids First/Transition Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) for Summer 2026 extended school year. (Special Report #3)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;

Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-044

11. Motion by Jividen, seconded by Sponseller, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the agreement with Electricity Purchase Program with Ohio Schools Council. (Special Report #4)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-045

12. Motion by Jividen, seconded by McDonald, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the contract with the City of New Franklin for Police Services Agreement. (Special Report #5)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-046

13. Motion by Gindlesperger, seconded by Sponseller, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the agreement with KRG Education Services, Inc. (LEAP). (Special Report #6)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-047

14. Motion by Jolly, seconded by Jividen, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the resolution for Reduction in Force (RIF) for certified staff in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3319.17 and Article 8 of the Negotiation Agreement for financial reasons. (Special Report #7)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-048

15. Motion by McDonald, seconded by Gindlesperger, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the contract with Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology EMIS Shared services agreement. (Special Report #8)

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-049

16. Motion by Sponseller, seconded by Jividen, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following donations:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Anonymous	Manchester Local Schools	\$ 300.00
Cobb Family	MS Drama Club	\$ 100.00
Portage Lakes Eagles	Weight Room	\$ 11,000.00

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-050

First readings were held for the following policies:

Policy #3432 – Sick Leave
Policy #4432 – Sick Leave

17. Motion by McDonald, seconded by Gindlesperger, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following policies:

Policy #2431.06	Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) in athletics
Policy #4440	Job Related Expenses
Policy #5112	Job Related Expenses
Policy #6220	Budget Preparation
Policy #6320	Purchasing and Bidding
Policy #6325	Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
Policy #6423	Use of Credit Cards
Policy #6424	Procurement Cards
Policy #6425	Use of District Tax Exempt Certification
Policy #6460	Vendor Relations
Policy #6465	Affinity, Rewards, or other Discount Programs
Policy #8500	Food Services
Policy #5408	Rescind – Covered in Policy #5409
Policy #5410	Promotion, Academic Acceleration, Placement and Retention

Policy #6109	Acceptance of Payment by Credit Card
Policy #6152	Student Fees, Fines and Charges
Policy #6830	Audit
Policy #7540.02	Digital Content and Accessibility
Policy #7541	Rescind
Policy #8300	Continuity of Organization Operations Plan
Policy #8305	Information Security
Policy #8400	School Safety
Policy #8462	Student Abuse and Neglect
Policy #9270	Equivalent education outside the schools & participation in extracurricular for student not enrolled in the district.
Policy #1422	Nondiscrimination, Equal Employment Opportunity and Anti-Harassment
Policy #1422.02	Rescind
Policy #1623	Section 504/ADA Prohibition against disability discrimination in employment
Policy #1622	Anti-Harassment
Policy #2260	Nondiscrimination and access to equal education opportunity
Policy #2260.01	Section 504/ADA Prohibition against discrimination based on disability
Policy #3122	Nondiscrimination, equal employment opportunity and anti-harassment
Policy #3122.02	Rescind
Policy #3123	Section 504/ADA Prohibition against disability discrimination in employment
Policy #3362	Rescind
Policy #4122	Nondiscrimination, equal employment opportunity and anti-harassment
Policy #4122.02	Rescind
Policy #4123	Section 504/ADA Prohibition against disability discrimination in employment
Policy #4362	Rescind

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-051

Mr. Jividen announced the next regular Board meeting will be May 19, 2026 at 6:00 pm at Manchester Administration Offices.

18. Motion by Gindlesperger, seconded by Sponseller to go into Executive Session for Personnel Matters [R.C. 121.22(G)(1).

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;

Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

2026-052

19. Upon return from Executive Session, motion by Jividen, seconded by Jolly to adjourn.

Roll call: Mrs. McDonald, aye; Mr. Sponseller, aye;
Mrs. Gindlesperger, aye; Mr. Jividen, aye;
Mr. Jolly, aye.

Motion carried 5 – 0

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Jason Jividen, Board President

Jennifer Rucker, Treasurer