Hillsdale Community Schools
Board of Education

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 18, 2026

I. Call to Order
Treasurer Petersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. which was held in Hillsdale High School Room 126.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recognition of Guests

Members Present
Kathy Petersen
Dan LaRue
Jeff Kunkel
Matt Gordon
Rebecca Portteus

Members Absent
Chris Sumnar
Nicole Hoffman

Administration Present
Ted Davis, Superintendent
Lara Baker, HHS Principal
Katie Stebelton, DMS Principal
Becky LaFollette, Gier Principal
Kim Bianco, Director Title I Programs, Curriculum & Instruction

Guests
Jean Michael

IV. Consent Agenda
A. Approval of Minutes - April 20, 2026 – regular board meeting

B. Finance
B1. Treasurer's Receipts
Treasurer's receipts for April 2026 are as follows:

General Fund	$1,313,091.69
Building & Site	$ 60,636.40
Food Service	$ 100,495.88
Activity	$ 84,468.65

B2. Bills Payable
Expenditures for April 2026 are as follows:

General Fund	$1,332,325.22

Building & Site	$	2,158.19
Food Service	$	82,982.02
Activity	$	62,153.72

Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to approve the consent agenda as presented
5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

V. Communications

A. Written - NA
B. Public - NA

VI. Information & Proposals from Board, Superintendent & Staff

A. Committee Reports
Instruction & Assessment 5/4
Building & Site 5/5
Community Relations 5/11

B. Superintendent's Report
- Food Service summer help: K Bowman, B Barnett, D Roback, K Marquart, A Koers C Haylett, R Delphey, B MacLennan
- DMS Summer School: C Crall - Coord., Teachers: M Ward, N Baker, L Cornett K Baker, T Scott, T Price EA's: M Neitling, M Marcavage, H Coulter, S Kelly
- M Wells - Gier Head Custodian - resigned 5/5
- L-4029 Tax Millage Adoption
- Cafeteria Flooring at Gier
- Hillsdale Classical Proposal
- MHSAA Resolution
- Pupil Accounting Handbook Information
- Negotiations
- 26-27 School Calendar
- Summer project update
- Cafeteria and Classroom Furniture

VII. Old/New Business

A. Personnel

1. Kendra Castle - Bailey EA
Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to hire Kendra Castle as an educational assistant.
5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

2. Clarissa Sims - Band / Music Director
Moved by Kunkel supported by Portteus to hire Clarissa Sims as a teacher for the 26-27 school year.
5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

B. Board Affairs

1. HCISD 26-27 General Fund Operating Budget Resolution
Moved by Gordon supported by LaRue to adopt the HCISD 26-27 General Fund Operating Budget Resolution as presented.
5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

2. 25-26 Student Handbook Changes - Graduation Expectations
   Moved by Portteus supported by Kunkel to adopt the 25-26 student handbook changes as presented.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

3. MHSAA 26-27 Membership Resolution
   Moved by Kunkel supported by Portteus to adopt the MHSAA 26-27 Membership Resolution as presented.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

4. HCCF - Kellogg Youth Advisory Fund Donation
   Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to accept $3,091.00 from HCCF for a library book program.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

5. L-4029 Tax Form Adoption
   Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to adopt the L-4029 as presented.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

6. Schoology Online Curriculum Platform - Hillsdale Classical
   Moved by LaRue supported by Gordon to approve the Schoology Online Platform for grades KDG - 12.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

7. Gier Cafeteria Floor Demolition
   Moved by Kunkel supported by Portteus to approve the Gier cafeteria floor demolition with Foulke Construction in the amount of $12,500.00.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

8. Gier Cafeteria Floor Concrete
   Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to approve the Gier cafeteria floor concrete with Do-Rite Masonry in the amount of $16,800.00.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

9. Gier Cafeteria Flooring
   Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to approve the Gier cafeteria flooring with Longstreet Living in the amount of $19,402.50.
   5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

10. 2026-27 Hillsdale Community Schools Calendar
    Moved by Portteus supported by LaRue to adopt the 2026-27 school calendar as presented.
    5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion passed

VIII. Addenda

A. Public Comment – NA
B. Board Member Comment - NA

IX. Adjournment

Vice President Petersen adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Rebecca Portteus, Secretary
Hillsdale Board of Education
JMM 5/20/2026

