HASLETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION
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MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026
7:00 PM, BOARDROOM
HASLETT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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

Staff: Malley/Hamilton/Immel/Lerch

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

III. **APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM SECRETARY**
In the absence of Secretary Clark, President Collins appointed Vice President Wawrzynski as interim secretary.

IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. **Administrative Retreat**
Superintendent Malley shared that district principals and the Central Office team recently held a two-day retreat at the MSU Union. During the retreat, the Central Office gathered feedback on current initiatives and collaborated on continuous improvement strategies to guide the district through the 2026–27 school year.

2. **Personnel Recommendations**
A. Jillian K. Wirth was recommended for the Elementary Music Teacher position at Wilkshire Early Childhood Center. Jillian received her Bachelors in Music Education from Michigan State University and joins us from Holt Public Schools.
B. Bronti Ziokowski was recommended as a Grade 3 Teacher at Murphy Elementary. Bronti earned her Bachelors of Science in Elementary Education from Ferris State University and joins us from Lansing Christian School.

3. **Staff Resignations**
A. Stephanie Chandell, Science Teacher at the Haslett Middle School, resigned effective June 30, 2026. Stephanie was thanked for her many years of service and wished well in her new position.

B. Kelsey Knapp, Payroll/Benefits Coordinator, resigned effective June 30, 2026. Kelsey was thanked for her 4 years of service to the district.

C. Sarah Lowell, Social Studies Teacher at the Haslett Middle School, resigned effective June 30, 2026. Sarah was thanked for her year of service.

4. **Change in Safety Director**
Superintendent Malley shared an update regarding the proposed Safety Director position originally discussed at the June 8, 2026, meeting. While the initial plan was to share a director with East Lansing Public Schools, Okemos Public Schools subsequently expressed interest in sharing their current director. Following discussions with the area superintendents, it was determined that partnering with Okemos Public Schools is a more practical fit, as both districts are located within Meridian Township. This proposal is listed as an action item on tonight's agenda.

5. **Budget Hearing presented by Jared Immel, Director of Finance**
Superintendent Malley announced that Director of Finance Mr. Immel will present the 2025–26 budget amendment and the 2026–27 budget proposal during today's Budget Hearing. While the figures remain unchanged since the June 8, 2026, board meeting, this hearing ensures the district fulfills all policy and statutory requirements.

6. **Cross Country Summer Field Trip Request**
It was reported that the high school cross country team is planning a summer retreat at the Lake Michigan Camp and Retreat Center in Pentwater, from July 19 to July 22. Because the trip is overnight and involves members of the team and coaches, it is being brought to the board so we are properly covered under policy. Permission slips and transportation are being organized now, and safety is our number one priority. The item is on today's consent agenda for approval.

7. **First Day of School**
Superintendent Malley reported that the first day of school for the 2026–27 school year is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26. The full calendar of dates will be released as soon as labor agreements are concluded.

V. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. **Kingscott/Architectural Firm** (Attachment A)
Representatives from Kingscott presented the process and timeline for the district's upcoming facilities study, which launches this summer and extends into community conversations this fall. Tied directly to the strategic plan's *Operational Excellence* pillar, the study evaluates the condition and capacity of district facilities to guide long-term capital planning. The presentation provided a comprehensive overview of current progress, future objectives, and upcoming opportunities for family and staff engagement. Following a detailed breakdown of the project phases, board members discussed their priorities, emphasizing the importance of reviewing maintenance requests, hosting multiple stakeholder sessions that include students, teachers and staff, and community members, and receiving regular updates throughout the process.

2. **Budget Hearing** (Attachment B)
The District has met the legal requirements of a notice in the local newspaper that the board will hold a public hearing on the 2026-27 proposed General Operating Fund and School Services Fund Budget. As required by law, the notice stated that the property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget would be a subject of this hearing. Jared Immel, Director of Finance, presented the information and answered questions. The 2026-27 proposed budget was reviewed with the June Policy/Personnel and Finance/Facilities Committees as well as

presented at the June 8, 2026, Board of Education meeting. This item is in the consent agenda for today.

VI. **BOARD REPORTS**

1. **Items from Board Members**
   None.

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

Board Correspondence
Vice President Wawrzynski reported receiving no correspondence.

Correspondence from the Public
The following individuals presented public comment: Kessner

VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA**
MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY POLVERENTO TO APPROVE:

1. Approval of Minutes - June 8, 2026, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Minutes - June 8, 2026, Closed Session Meeting
3. Approval of Personnel Recommendations as follows:
   A. Jillian Wirth as Elementary Music at WECC
   B. Bronti Ziolkowski as Grade 3 Teacher at Murphy
4. Approval of Proposed 2025-26 Final Budget Resolution (Attachment C)
5. Approval of 2026-27 Proposed Budget Resolution (Attachment D)
6. Approval of State Aid Note (Attachment E)
7. Approval of Preliminary Loan Application School Bond Loan Fund (Attachment F)
8. Approval of Out of State Travel to St. Louis, MO, in April 2027
9. Approval of Cross Country Field Trip Request to Lake Michigan Camp and Retreat Center (Attachment K)

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 5-0

IX. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Approval of Custodial Services Agreement** (Attachment G)
   As a result of the custodial RFP, Grand Rapids Building Services Inc., (GRBS) has been recognized as the recommended custodial firm as presented at the June 8, 2026, board of education meeting.

   MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY FRITZ FOR APPROVAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT FOR CUSTODIAL SERVICES WITH GRAND RAPIDS BUILDING SERVICES, INC.

   Motion Carried. Unanimous Vote: 5-0

2. **Approval of Safety Director & Cooperative Agreement** (Attachment H)
   A three year agreement to provide a shared, grant-funded, part-time safety director was presented at the June 8, 2026, board of education meeting.

   MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY WAWRZYNSKI FOR APPROVAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO SIGN THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH OKEMOS PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND WITH SECURE ENVIRONMENTS CONSULTING.

Motion Carried. Unanimous Vote: 5-0

3. **Approval of Laptop Purchase** (Attachment I)
Purchase of 75 Lenovo laptop devices and docking stations at a cost of $151, 943.77 was presented at the June 8, 2026, board of education meeting. The purchase will be made using sinking fund dollars.

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY FRITZ TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF LAPTOP DEVICES, AS PRESENTED.

Motion Carried. Unanimous Vote: 5-0

4. **Approval of Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Curriculum Purchase** (Attachment J)
Three SEL programs were reviewed and piloted by teachers and administrators. The programs were previously reviewed at the May 11, 2026, Board of Education meeting and the June 4, 2026, Finance/Facility Committee meeting. Committee members, administrators, and pilot teachers unanimously recommended *Character Strong* as the SEL curriculum for grades Y5–8. The initial curriculum purchase was noted at $32,000.00, to be funded via 31aa Grant Funds.

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY POLVERENTO TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF THE SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING CURRICULUM, CHARACTER STRONG, AS PRESENTED.

Discussion:
Trustee Stoliker inquired about the increased cost from $32,000 to $44,000 reflected in Attachment J. Administration explained that the updated pricing includes additional direct professional development for teachers provided by Character Strong alongside Tier 2 and Tier 3 instructional supports. The total remains within the budgeted allocation for the SEL curriculum.

Members discussed the possibility of tabling the motion until the July 20, 2026, meeting to allow further time for review, but the board proceeded with the current motion.

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY POLVERENTO TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION TO REFLECT THE UPDATED PURCHASE PRICE OF $44,000.

Motion Carried. Majority Vote: 4-1
Ayes: Collins/Fritz/Polverento/Wawrzynski
Nays: Stoliker

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED: TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE CHARACTER STRONG SEL CURRICULUM AT A COST OF $44,000.

Motion Failed. 1-4
Ayes: Wawrzynski
Nays: Collins/Fritz/Polverento/Stoliker

X. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. A regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting will be held on July 20, 2026, at

7:00 PM in the Haslett Administration Building.

XI. **CLOSED SESSION**
MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY WAWRZYNSKI TO MOVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:52 PM PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT MCL 15.268 SECTIONS (1)(C), (1)(D), AND (1)(A) FOR UNION NEGOTIATIONS, TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, AND FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT YEAR END EVALUATION.

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays

XII. **SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION**
MOTION BY STOLIKER, SECONDED BY FRITZ TO APPROVE THE SUPERINTENDENT'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION WITH A FINAL OVERALL RATING OF EFFECTIVE.

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**
MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY FRITZ TO ADJOURN AT 9:55 PM

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 5-0

Date Approved ____________________________

Board Secretary ___________________________

(S. Lerch, Recorder)