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August 18, 2026

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE
KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Kalamazoo Public Schools will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, 1220 Howard Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49008. The meeting will be live streamed on Public Media Network on the Live TV Channel PMN 5: <https://publicmedianet.org/pmn-five/>.

The Board of Trustees, Superintendent, and senior staff will have an informational dinner meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's office area and will also discuss any matters that may come before the Board.

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Carol McGlinn, Secretary
Board of Education

- ❖ Please contact the Superintendent's Office in advance of the meeting if auxiliary aids or services for individuals with disabilities are needed.
- ❖ Official minutes of Kalamazoo Public Schools Board of Education open meetings are available for inspection within eight working days of the meeting at the Superintendent's Office, 1220 Howard Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49008.

**POLICY
of the
BOARD OF EDUCATION
KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

1.2 Public Participation During a Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Policy

While balancing legitimate privacy interests of students and staff, the Board of Trustees welcomes community input at public meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Specifics

1. Persons requesting to address the board will be asked to complete a sign-in sheet by the end of the public comment period. The portion of that sign-in sheet requiring completion will include: name, school district in which the person resides, and connection to/interest in the Kalamazoo Public Schools. The optional portion will be held private and will include: mailing address, email address, phone number, topic about which they will be speaking and, if authorized and applicable, the organization they represent.
2. The presiding board officer will invite persons to come to the podium in the order in which the sign-in sheets were completed.
3. If after 30 minutes everyone who has completed a sign-in sheet has not had the opportunity to address the board, the public comment period will be tabled and resume before adjournment.
4. Speakers have three minutes each and must stop speaking promptly when signaled.
5. Speakers may not address confidential student or personnel matters, but may submit such concerns to the board in writing.
6. Speakers are encouraged to provide the board with a written copy of their comments and other appropriate supporting documentation, which will be copied and distributed as needed to appropriate staff/personnel.
7. The public is required to exercise common courtesy during the meeting and must follow rule of order. The presiding board officer may terminate public comments that are profane, vulgar, or defamatory, especially if these comments result in a disturbance or breach of peace. Personal attacks against an employee or board member that are totally unrelated to his or her duties are prohibited. If a person engages in disruptive conduct or is out of order, the board presiding officer will strike his or her gavel and warn the person to discontinue their behavior. Further disruptions will result in the person being asked to leave. Refusal to leave will result in being escorted out of the building. (MCL 380.1808)

Adopted: February 13, 2003

Revised: December 17, 2009

Revised: June 25, 2013

Adopted: December 19, 2019

Revised: November 21, 2024

Revised: March 19, 2026

This policy supersedes all other policies on this issue.

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
1220 Howard St. Kalamazoo, MI 49008
August 20, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.
A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Acceptance of Agenda**
- IV. Attendance**
- V. Correspondence**
- VI. Consent Calendar Items**
 - A. Minutes**
August 6, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. Business and Financial Reports**
Purchase Recommendation 2027-12
 - C. Personnel Items**
Personnel Changes
- VII. Reports and Recommendations**
 - A. Superintendent's Report**
- VIII. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (3-minute individual limit)**
- IX. Other Business**
 - A. Professional Development Request for Takisha Johnson
 - B. Professional Development Request for Yvonne Payton
- X. Comments by Trustees/Superintendent**
- XI. Closed Session (if needed)**
- XII. Next Regular Board of Education Meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.**

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
1220 Howard Street
August 6, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

President TiAnna Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Acceptance of Agenda

President Harrison called for a motion to accept the agenda.

MOTION: Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, supported by Vice President Jennie Hill, moved to accept the agenda.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. The motion was carried unanimously by trustees present.

IV. Attendance

Board members present: TiAnna Harrison, Jennie Hill, Takisha Johnson, Karla Murphy, Yvonne Payton, Patti Sholler-Barber, and Carol McGlinn. Superintendent Dr. Darrin Slade was also present.

V. Correspondence

Secretary McGlinn reported the correspondence received from July 22 through August 4, 2026.

- Email received July 22 from Dana Deluca regarding building vandalism. Karen Jackson, Dr. Slade, and Secretary McGlinn replied. Final dispositions occurred July 24, July 30, and August 6, 2026.
- Email received July 30 from Maria and Jeremiah Newhouse regarding a district transfer request. Secretary McGlinn replied on August 4, 2026.

VI. Consent Calendar

President Harrison presented the Consent Calendar items: VI.A. July 23, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and July 27, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes; VI.B. Purchase Recommendations 2027-7, 2027-8, 2027-9, 2027-10, and 2027-11; and VI.C. Personnel Changes.

Motion: Trustee Takisha Johnson, supported by Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, moved to accept the Consent Calendar.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously by trustees present.

Discussion from the board:

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Expressed appreciation for those who supported the 2022 Bond, noting that the use of bond funds for needed equipment and improvements allows the general fund to remain available for students and teachers.

Jennie Hill

- Asked for clarification regarding E-Rate. Chief Financial Officer Laura Kayser explained that E-Rate is a federal program that reimburses the district for certain technology costs. Mr. Haight explained that the program is administered by the FCC and provides several million dollars over a five-year period.

Karla Murphy

- Asked for clarification regarding the Y-bot sensors. Mr. Haight explained that the sensors resemble wireless access points and analyze Wi-Fi signals throughout the buildings.
- Asked whether the system provides visibility into what individuals are doing while using district Wi-Fi. Mr. Haight clarified that the system provides visibility into the network itself and does not monitor individuals' searches or browsing activity.

Carol McGlinn

- Asked whether the Y-bot technology uses artificial intelligence. Mr. Haight explained that it does not and that the system performs simple connectivity tests and alerts the district when a device cannot be reached.
- Shared the importance of maintaining playground equipment and recognized the educational value of learning through play.

Takisha Johnson

- Asked whether the KickUp PD platform was being used to evaluate coaches. Dr. Thomas explained that the district is using the platform to allow literacy and math coaches to track and monitor the support they provide and is not utilizing the coaching evaluation feature.

Yvonne Payton

- Asked why technology upgrades were needed at Linden Grove since it is a newer building. Mr. Haight explained that the switches have a useful life of approximately five years.

TiAnna Harrison

- Supported the importance of learning through play and maintaining playground equipment.

VII. Reports and Recommendations

A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Darrin Slade thanked teachers, staff, students, principals, support staff, bus drivers, and everyone involved with Summer School 2026. He reported that approximately 1,000 students attended each day and that attendance and participation rates increased. Students demonstrated gains in math and reading, which will be shared at a future Board meeting.

Dr. Slade thanked Maranda from WoodTV and the organization for sponsoring the annual Maranda Park Party, as well as the police and fire departments and district staff who participated in the event.

Dr. Slade highlighted the Rise Up program, created to support students who experienced behavior-related challenges and missed school due to suspensions. The program provides conflict mediation, therapy, counseling, and support to help students successfully transition back to school. He recognized Ms. Saunders and the staff involved with the program and noted that the program concluded with a cookout for students and families. The program was described as a major success that the district intends to continue.

Dr. Slade also discussed the district's July 30 enrollment event at Greenwood. More than 50 students were enrolled during the event, with staff from throughout the district participating.

Dr. Slade emphasized the importance of students being enrolled and attending school from the beginning of the school year so that they do not miss important instruction. He noted that the district will continue emphasizing school readiness throughout the school year.

Chief of Marketing and Communications Susan Coney shared information regarding upcoming community and back-to-school events, including the El Concilio Back-to-School Giveaway on August 22, elementary back-to-school events August 25–27, the Young Kings and Queens Back-to-School Jam and Northside Ministerial Alliance Community Carnival on August 29, and free sports physicals available through the Knights Health Center.

The first day of school is August 31 and will be a half day for students.

B. Administrative Appointment – Principal of Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science and Technology

Director of Human Resources Steve Leland recommended Brandy Stiver for appointment as Interim Principal of Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science and Technology.

MOTION: Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, supported by Secretary Carol McGlinn, moved to approve the appointment.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Administrative Appointment – Principal of Indian Prairie Elementary School

Mr. Leland recommended Dr. Amira Magaji for appointment as Interim Principal of Indian Prairie Elementary School.

MOTION: Vice President Jennie Hill, supported by Treasurer Karla Murphy, moved to approve the appointment.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Administrative Appointment – Principal of Washington Writers' Academy**
Mr. Leland recommended Aaron Mason for appointment as Interim Principal of Washington Writers' Academy.

MOTION: Trustee Takisha Johnson, supported by Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, moved to approve the appointment.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. E. Administrative Appointment – Assistant Principal of Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science and Technology**
Mr. Leland recommended Tracy Chappell for appointment as Interim Assistant Principal of Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science and Technology.

MOTION: Secretary Carol McGlinn, supported by Treasurer Karla Murphy, moved to approve the appointment.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Administrative Appointment – Assistant Principal of Hillside Middle School**
Mr. Leland recommended Christian Manley for appointment as Interim Assistant Principal of Hillside Middle School.

MOTION: Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, supported by Vice President Jennie Hill, moved to approve the appointment.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

- G. Approval of 2026-27 Contractual Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, Local 517M-Unit 84**
Chief Financial Officer Laura Kayser recommended approval of the 2026–2027 Contractual Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, Local 517M-Unit 84 custodians. The agreement was ratified by the membership and is consistent with the budget parameters approved by the Board at its June 25, 2026 meeting.

Discussion from the board:

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Expressed appreciation that contracts are being settled and praised both sides of the negotiation process.
- Noted that successful negotiations contribute to good employee morale going into the school year.

Yvonne Payton

- Asked for clarification regarding the use of the term "interim" for the administrative appointments. Dr. Slade explained that KPS administrators generally begin in an interim status for one year. He described the process as similar to a probationary period, providing an opportunity for the administrator to demonstrate success in the position before becoming permanent. Dr. Slade noted that most administrators who have served as interim have subsequently become permanent.

Dr. Slade

- Praised the negotiation teams and thanked everyone involved in reaching the agreement.
- Recognized the importance of having the district's labor agreements settled as the new school year begins.

MOTION: Treasurer Karla Murphy, supported by Trustee Takisha Johnson, moved to approve the 2026–2027 Contractual Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, Local 517M-Unit 84.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (3-minute individual limit)

Public comments/audience participation. No actions taken.

IX. Other Business

A. MASB Delegate Assembly Representatives and Alternate

President Harrison recommended that Trustees Patti Sholler-Barber, Karla Murphy, and TiAnna Harrison be selected to serve as delegates to the MASB Delegate Assembly at the fall MASB conference, scheduled for October 16–18 in Lansing.

MOTION: Secretary Carol McGlinn, supported by Trustee Takisha Johnson, moved to approve Patti Sholler-Barber, Karla Murphy, and TiAnna Harrison as delegates.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 1-Year Contract Extension for Superintendent

President Harrison presented Section 4 of the Superintendent's Employment Agreement. moved to extend the Superintendent's Employment Agreement

MOTION: President TiAnna Harrison, supported by Treasurer Karla Murphy, moved to extend the Superintendent's Employment Agreement for an additional one-year period through June 30, 2031, pursuant to Section 4 of the Superintendent's Employment Agreement.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion from the Board:

Carol McGlinn

- Expressed appreciation for Dr. Slade's work and the significant improvements made throughout the district.
- Shared her full support for the contract extension.

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Expressed appreciation for Dr. Slade's enthusiasm and presence in schools and throughout the district.
- Shared her excitement about continuing to work with Dr. Slade toward the district's goals.

Takisha Johnson

- Praised Dr. Slade for his efforts to meet the community where it is.
- Recognized his commitment to maintaining high expectations for students and establishing a standard for the district.

Jennie Hill

- Expressed support for the extension and recognized Dr. Slade's commitment and energy in moving the district forward.

Yvonne Payton

- Stated that the extension was well deserved.
- Recognized increases in attendance and student achievement and the increase in Black male graduates.
- Noted that the Board and superintendent still have additional work to accomplish.

TiAnna Harrison

- Expressed support for the extension.
- Recognized Dr. Slade's community outreach and his efforts to connect with families and students throughout the community.

Dr. Slade

- Thanked the Board for extending his contract and expressed appreciation for the Board, students, teachers, administrators, support staff, bus drivers, and the entire KPS community. He emphasized that the district's progress is a team effort and credited students and staff for improvements across measurable areas over the past three years.

C. Professional Development Request for Patti Sholler-Barber

X. Comments by Trustees/Superintendent

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Thanked staff for preparing the district for the upcoming school year.
- Thanked Karen Jackson for leading facilities projects.
- Thanked Steve Leland for his staffing efforts.
- Thanked Ms. Saunders for leading the Rise Up Program.
- Thanked all staff for a successful summer school program.

- Emphasized the availability of free sports physicals.
- Congratulated Jen Weaver Stroven on the passage of the Families First millage and noted its potential benefits for families, preschool, school readiness, and childcare.
- Encouraged the community to support individuals and families experiencing trauma or other challenges.

Yvonne Payton

- Announced the Hillside Middle School Holiday Expo scheduled for Saturday, December 5.
- Thanked Kalamazoo Links, Inc. for its recent scholarship reception, which provided scholarships to students from Kalamazoo and Battle Creek.

Jennie Hill

- Recognized and thanked district custodians for their work.
- Recognized the important role custodians, bus drivers, food service staff, and other building staff play in students' daily experiences.
- Encouraged the community to watch out for children who are outside during the summer.

Carol McGlinn

- Reminded everyone that summer is not over and encouraged the community to watch out for children.
- Thanked staff who continue working throughout the summer.

TiAnna Harrison

- Acknowledged Senior Leadership and district staff for their hard work throughout the summer.
- Emphasized the importance of providing students with a positive, well-rounded experience in addition to academic achievement.
- Thanked staff for ensuring students are seen and heard and for supporting the overall student experience.

Dr. Slade

- Thanked the community and community partners for the numerous back-to-school events and resources being provided to students and families.
- Recognized community partners providing school supplies, backpacks, food, haircuts, and other resources for students and families.

XI. Closed Session

MOTION: President Harrison moved that the Board enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(1)(c), for a strategy and negotiation session connected with the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements with the District's bargaining representative, as requested by a negotiating party. Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber supported the motion.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor.

The Board entered closed session at 7:52 p.m. President Harrison stated the Board may or may not return to the floor.

XII. Next Board of Education Meeting

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

The Board did not return to the floor from closed session. President Harrison adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeGraaf, Recording Secretary,
on behalf of Carol McGlinn,
Secretary, Board of Education

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PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION DATA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: August 20, 2026

Request Number: 2027-12

Amount: \$53,086.00

Item: Asbestos Abatement at Northglade Montessori Magnet School

Cost Center: 2022 Bond

Cost Center Representative(s) Attending Board Meeting: Karen Jackson

Description of Need:

This purchase recommendation is for the demolition/removal of windows, window caulk and transite panels at Northglade Montessori Magnet School which contain asbestos materials. This work is scheduled to begin August 24, 2026.

Vendor: Mid-Michigan Management
Lansing, MI

Number of Proposals Requested: 9 **Received:** 7

Low Bid Accepted: Yes

Additional Information:

Bid: \$48,260.00

Contingency: 4,826.00

Total \$53,086.00

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOL
Office of the Superintendent

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Darrin Slade, Superintendent

DATE: August 20, 2026

SUBJECT: Personnel Changes

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the board approve the following employment changes:

I. Employment

A. Professional/Management

Grace M. Avery, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, Lincoln International Studies School, 08/25/2026

Kevione M. Brown, Grade 1 Teacher, Northeastern Elementary School, 08/25/2026

Eric J. Curtiss, English Teacher, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, 08/25/2026

Alice M. Edwards, Computer Science Teacher, Kalamazoo Area Math and Science Center, 08/25/2026

Brian M. Flahie, Math Teacher, Loy Norrix High School, 08/25/2026

Katrina M. Fuller, English Teacher, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, 08/25/2026

Adel B. Gougam, Virtual Teacher, K-12 Virtual Learning Program, 08/25/2026

Sara L. Gustafson, Multilingual Teacher, Itinerant, 08/25/2026

Natale J. Hosbein, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, Northeastern Elementary School, 08/25/2026

Kelly J. Jamieson, PEEP Teacher, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, 08/25/2026

Corey S. DeLaurentis, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet Center for the Arts, 08/25/2026

Alyssa A. McDonald, Elementary Orchestra Teacher, Woodward School and Washington Writers' Academy, 08/25/2026

Teresa A. Stankewicz, Special Education Teacher, Kalamazoo Innovative Learning Program and Phoenix High School, 08/25/2026

Matthew A. Stoos, Math Teacher, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, 08/25/2026

Joshua D. Thrasher, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, Washington Writers' Academy, 08/25/2026

Alycia M. Vega, Grade 2 Teacher, Washington Writers' Academy, 08/25/2026

Nicole E. Weber, Grade 5 Teacher, Prairie Ridge Elementary School, 08/25/2026

Ashley R. Widrig, ECSE Occupational Therapist, Itinerant, 08/25/2026

Gwenevere M. Zedrick, Physical Education Teacher, Itinerant, 08/25/2026

B. Classified

Christine M. Anderson, Montessori Teaching Assistant, Northglade Montessori Magnet School, 08/28/2026

Janet E Barton-St. Rose, Special Education ASD Self-Contained Paraprofessional, Northeastern Elementary School, 08/28/2026

Warren E. Dandridge Jr., Classroom Paraprofessional, Hillside Middle School, 08/28/2026

Connie L. Graham, School Library Assistant, Linden Grove Middle School, 08/17/2026

Daisia M. Harper, Special Education Lower Elementary Resource Room Paraprofessional, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet Center for the Arts, 08/28/2026

Robynne L. Hanko, Lead School Secretary, Northeastern Elementary School, 08/17/2026

Ciarrah E. Henagan, Special Education Lower Elementary Resource Room Paraprofessional, Edison Academy, 08/28/2026

Karli D. Johansen, Special Education ASD Self-Contained Paraprofessional, Indian Prairie Elementary School, 08/28/2026

Porchia R. Jones, Special Education Lower Elementary Resource Room Paraprofessional, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet Center for the Arts, 08/28/2026

Julia K. Librizzi, Special Education ASD Self-Contained Paraprofessional, Prairie Ridge Elementary School, 08/28/2026

Marissa R. McBride, PEEP Early Childhood Paraprofessional, Washington Writers' Academy, 08/28/2026

Cameron T. McCulloch, Special Education ASD Self-Contained Paraprofessional, Milwood Elementary School, 08/28/2026

Kristen L. Powell, Special Education ASD Self-Contained Paraprofessional, Edison Academy, 08/28/2026

Destiny A. Youngblood, Montessori Teaching Assistant, Northglade Montessori Magnet School, 08/28/2026

II. Promotions/Key Transfers

A. Professional/Management

Amyre R. Dennis, transfer from Hourly Summer School Teacher, Linden Grove Middle School to Multilingual Teacher, Itinerant, 08/25/2026

Phillip J. Edmonds, transfer from Multilingual Paraprofessional, Loy Norrix High School to Multilingual Teacher, Loy Norrix High School, 08/25/2026

Jacob A. Seager, transfer from Character Development Coach, Kalamazoo Central High School to Math Teacher, Kalamazoo Central High School, 08/25/2026

B. Classified

Kelly A. Copeland, transfer from Lead School Secretary, Phoenix High School, to Assistant School Secretary - Child Accounting, Winchell Elementary School, 08/17/2026

Jordan J. Lyons, transfer from 3rd Grade Teacher, Lincoln International Studies School, to Special Education Lower Elementary Resource Room Paraprofessional, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, 08/28/2026

Stacy L. Pauls, transfer from Assistant School Secretary - Attendance and Behavior, Linden Grove Middle School, to Lead School Secretary, Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science, and Technology, 08/17/2026

III. Leaves of Absence

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

IV. Terminations

A. Professional/Management

Nihal S. Afsal, Computer Applications Teacher, Kalamazoo Area Math and Science Center, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Erin D. Brott, Art Teacher, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet Center for the Arts, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Meghan L. Early, Speech Language Pathologist, Itinerant, Special Education Department, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Courtney L. Franco, Grade 2 Teacher, Winchell Elementary School, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Peyton K. Goodman, Grade 3 Teacher, Washington Writers' Academy, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Nicholas S. Losiewski, Social Studies Teacher, Linden Grove Middle School, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Alexia A. May, Special Education Resource Room Teacher, Kalamazoo Central High School, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Olivia K. Murray, Grade 2 Teacher, Washington Writers' Academy, Resignation, 06/30/2026

Courtney A. Slucter, English Teacher, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, Resignation, 06/30/2026

B. Classified

Kristi L. Ayres, PEEP Early Childhood Paraprofessional, Washington Writers' Academy, Resignation, 08/20/2026

Carolyn L. Betke, Lead School Secretary, Milwood Magnet School: A Center for Math, Science, and Technology, Resignation, 08/14/2026

Jacob P. Cieslak, District Technology Technician, Technology Services, Resignation, 08/21/2026

Lizbeth Fuentes Rosas, Multilingual Paraprofessional, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, Resignation, 08/14/2026

Farrah L. Nederveld, Assistant School Secretary - Child Accounting, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet Center for the Arts, Resignation, 08/12/2026

Traci A. Pastoor, School Library Assistant, Hillside Middle School, Resignation, 08/11/2026

Karina Ramos, Multilingual Paraprofessional, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, Resignation, 07/30/2026

Debra K. Yerden Ferguson, Multilingual Paraprofessional, Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts, Resignation, 08/07/2026

V. Termination from Leave of Absence

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

VI. Return from Leave of Absence

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

VII. Lay-offs

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

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Professional Development Request

(Requests must be made 14 days prior to early registration deadline)

Board Policy 1.3 and The Revised School Code (MCL Act 451 §380.1254) permits the school district to pay actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses incurred by a board member in performing functions as authorized by the Board of Trustees. Registration and travel arrangements can only be completed after board approval.

Takisha Johnson

Name

8/7/26

Request Date

MASB Annual Leadership Conference

Name of Event

10/15/26 - 10/18/26

Date of Conference/Class

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Is this an MASB conference? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, please indicate: _____

Is this request in time to receive early registration discount on conference? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Attending: ☒ In person ☐ Virtual ☐ Other; please explain: _____

List courses/sessions you plan to attend. **NOTE: Registration **cannot** be finalized unless this section is completed.**

CBA 264: Shaping Public Opinion

Main Conference: Friday & Saturday

CBA 308: A Guide to Understanding the Legislature

CBA 261: Advocacy for Public Education

CBA 265: Practical Advocacy

LODGING INFORMATION

Lodging required? ☒ Yes ☐ No Check-in and check-out dates? 10/14/26-10/18/26

Conference hotel name Holiday Inn Express & Suites Lansing-Dimondale

Is this request in time to receive the discounted room rate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

OTHER

Dietary requirements? _____

Any additional information? _____

For office use only.

Date received _____

Approval date? _____

☐ Registration _____

☐ Hotel _____

☐ Confirmation(s) sent _____

☐ Per Diem (?) _____

☐ Other _____

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Yvonne Payton

Name

8/9/26

Request Date

MASB Annual Leadership Conference

Name of Event

10/15/26 - 10/18/26

Date of Conference/Class

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Is this an MASB conference? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, please indicate: _____

Is this request in time to receive early registration discount on conference? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Attending: ☒ In person ☐ Virtual ☐ Other; please explain: _____

List courses/sessions you plan to attend. **NOTE: Registration **cannot** be finalized unless this section is completed.**

CBA 323: Run the Room

CBA 299: Leading With Purpose: Advanced Leadership

Main Conference: Friday & Saturday

CBA 268: Leadership Styles

CBA 305: Practical Governance

CBA 375: Board Leadership: A Case Study Approach

LODGING INFORMATION

Lodging required? ☒ Yes ☐ No Check-in and check-out dates? 10/14/26-10/18/26

Conference hotel name Holiday Inn Express & Suites Lansing-Dimondale

Is this request in time to receive the discounted room rate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

OTHER

Dietary requirements? _____

Any additional information? _____

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Approval date? _____

☐ Registration _____

☐ Hotel _____

☐ Confirmation(s) sent _____

☐ Per Diem (?) _____

☐ Other _____