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Student Performance and Achievement (SPA) Board Committee
Meeting Minutes for April 8, 2026

Board of Education members present: Judy Westra, Anupam Chugh Sidhu, and Jennifer Vos

District staff present: Dr. Monica Merritt, Superintendent; Jennifer Curry, Chief Academic Officer; Dr. Elizabeth Vartanian-Gibbs, Assistant Superintendent of Student & Family Engagement; Stefanie Hayes, Executive Director for Special Education; Dr. Isabel Haller-Gryc, Multilingual Learner & World Language Curriculum Coordinator; Dr. Chrystelle Rasolonjatovo, High School Curriculum Coordinator; Kitty Hjelmroth, Special Education Supervisor of Early Childhood & Speech-Language Pathologists; Derek Southwick, Assistant Principal, Salem High School; Caitlin Opferman, Program Coordinator for Early Childhood Education; J.J. Lockwood, PCEA President; and Susan Provenzano, Executive Assistant to the Chief Academic Officer

Citizen representatives present: Rebeka Fergusson-Lutz and Megan Rutkowski

Student Voice in Action representatives present: Hudson Lloyd

Others present: none

Committee Chair Judy Westra called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

A. Approval of Minutes: The draft minutes from the March 4, 2026, meeting were reviewed and approved.

B. Public Comments: none

C. Presentations/Discussions

   A. **Early Childhood Presentation:** Kitty Hjelmroth, Special Education Supervisor of Early Childhood & Speech-Language Pathologists and Caitlin Opferman, Program Coordinator for Early Childhood Education, shared a presentation on current Pre-K programming and future early childhood goals. The SPA committee members asked questions and provided feedback on the presentation which will be shared at the Board of Education meeting on April 14, 2026.

   B. **High School Math Curriculum Adoption:** Dr. Chrystelle Rasolonjatovo, High School Curriculum Coordinator and Derek Southwick, Assistant Principal, Salem High School shared a request to purchase New High School Math Curriculum, IM360 Imagine Learning. The math curriculum must be updated to align with Michigan K-12 Mathematics Standards. Implementation would be for the 2026-2027 school year and beyond. The total cost of $1,206,676 includes a six-year license with student workbooks, student digital subscriptions, teacher

editions, teacher digital subscriptions, ancillary materials, two year professional development and classroom materials. The cost will be paid over a six year period. The SPA Committee Members were given an opportunity to comment and ask questions. The request was approved to move to the full Board of Education meeting for a first reading on April 14, 2026.

C. **ML Curriculum**: Dr. Isabel Haller-Gryc, Multilingual Learner & World Language Curriculum Coordinator, shared a request to purchase National Geographic Lift to align instructional materials to the 2020 English Language Development Standards Framework. Implementation would be the 2026-2027 school year. The cost is $9306.22 which includes student books with integrated access to the digital platform, workbooks, and teacher resources. The SPA Committee Members were given an opportunity to comment and ask questions. The request was approved to move to the full Board of Education meeting for a first reading on April 14, 2026.

D. **Out-of-Country Field Trips:** The committee reviewed two out-of-contiguous United States field trips and approved them to move to the full Board of Education meeting for final approval on April 14, 2026.

Committee Chair Judy Westra called for an adjournment at 6:24 p.m., and the meeting adjourned at that time.