

NORTH ADAMS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Regular School Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. – September 8, 2026

MINUTES

PRESENT: Board members Stacey Bussel, Michelle Stimpson, Dave Hill, Jill Colclasure, Joel Miller, Darlene Hebble-Juengel, and Wylie Sirk were present along with Superintendent Kim Hiatt and Attorney Scott Ainsworth and attached list of attendees.

ABSENT:

AGENDA

A. Call to Order - *The meeting was called to order by Stacey Bussel at 6:00 p.m.*

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Motion by Michelle Stimpson, seconded by Darlene Hebble-Juengel, to approve the following consensus items as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

C. Consensus Items

1. Minutes of

- a. August 11, 2026/Regular Board Meeting
- b. August 11, 2026/Executive Board Meeting

2. Financial Report

3. Personnel

a. Assignments

1. Cara Hall to be assigned the position of 3rd Grade Teacher at Bellmont Elementary School effective September 21, 2026.

b. Resignations

1. Kristina Quinn to resign the position of Bellmont Elementary School 3rd Grade Teacher effective September 4, 2026.
2. Beth Bonifas to resign the position of Bellmont High School Corporation Computer Technician effective September 1, 2026.

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3. Shelby Jellison to resign the position of Belmont Middle School Special Education Paraprofessional effective August 31, 2026.
4. Nicholas Ellsworth to resign the position of Belmont High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach effective August 31, 2026.
5. Grace Scheumann to resign the position of Belmont Middle School Co-Head Track and Field Coach effective August 15, 2026.
6. Joel Frederick to resign the position of Belmont High School Assistant Football Coach effective January 21, 2026.

c. Leaves

1. Madelyn Hurst requesting medical leave beginning approximately December 3, 2026, as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 21 (F). She will also use Child Rearing Leave, as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 22 (H) through end of 2026-27 school year.

d. Change of Position

1. Jeff Schueler to move from Belmont High School Social Studies Teacher to Belmont High School 5/7 Social Studies Teacher and Belmont Elementary School Part-Time Paraprofessional effective August 10, 2026.

e. LEA Business

f. Overnight and/or Out-of-State Field Trips

D. Program Update- Belmont High School Valedictorian/Salutatorian Update / Sean Faurote & Kati Todd

-Ms. Todd and Mr. Faurote presented three options for future student recognition criteria. Discussion focused on alignment with state standards, equitable recognition across diploma pathways, and impacts on student course choices. No action was taken, and the Board will continue evaluating the options and their long-term implications.

E. Old Business

F. New Business

Regular meeting suspended at 6:42 p.m. and Public Hearing on the 2027 Budget opened. Public Hearing on the 2027 Budget closed at 6:49 p.m. and Regular Board Meeting resumed.

1. Public Hearing on the 2027 Budget-Hiatt/Quinn

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Motion by Joel Miller, seconded by Jill Colclasure, to approve the Resolution to Designate Revenue for Collective Bargaining Purposes as presented. Education Funds to be excluded are \$18,000 for Supplemental Payments and \$224,510 for Curricular Materials. Motion passed 7-0.

2. Approval of Resolution to Designate Revenue for Collective Bargaining Purposes

Motion by Jill Colclasure, seconded by Dave Hill, to approve Grateful Care ABA MOU for Parentally Provided Outside Therapist for 2026-2027 school year as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

3. Approval of Grateful Care ABA MOU for Parentally Provided Outside Therapist for 2026-2027 school year

4. Policy Updates (1st Read)

- a. BL 0100 Definitions, ~~PO 7540.03 Student Technology and Acceptable Use and Safety, PO 7540.04 Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, PO 7540.09 Artificial Intelligence, *~~ PO 7544 Use of Social Media, PO 5136 Personal Communication Devices, PO 5136.01 Personal Electronic Communication Equipment Other Than Personal Communication Devices, 7541. (*Items removed 9/8/2026)

5. Superintendent Report

- Mrs. Hiatt informed the Board of the planned implementation of the Wayfinder transportation software and invited Mr. Scott Miller, Director of Facility Operations, to provide additional details. Mr. Miller reported that the system will track student ridership, assist drivers in identifying designated student drop-off locations, and provide turn-by-turn navigation for substitute drivers. He noted that a pilot test with one to two drivers is planned, with full implementation targeted during fall break.

6. Other Matters to come before the Board

G. Board Member and/or Public Comment

H. Adjournment 7:05 p.m.

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