

Minutes of Board of Education Regular Meeting
The Board of Trustees
Gull Lake Community Schools

A Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Gull Lake Community Schools was held on the 21st day of April 2025, beginning at 7:01 p.m. in the Thomas M. Ryan Intermediate Media Center, Richland, Michigan.

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Roll Call

A. Present

Laura Zervic, Desiree LaDuke, Krystal Scott-Rhodes, Eddie Keene, John McCann, Carole Mendez

B. Absent

Mini Paulose-Murphy

C. Staff Members

Superintendent Christopher Rundle, Deputy Superintendent Lisa Anderson, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instructional Technology Drew Bordner and Recording Secretary Danelle Wheeler

D. Guests Present

Rob Atkins, Audra Misner, Suzy Barrett, Danielle Buckmaster, Rob Woodrow, Don Eastman, Sam Snow, Anna Peters, Courtney Boyce, Lynnette Walker, Christopher Bower, Victoria Bower, Carmen Maring, Kelsey Ward, Brad Glessner, Ray Antel, Sandra Wiederhold, Elizabeth Springer

4. Communications/Public Comments

A. Public Comments – None

B. Superintendent Comments

This week, we celebrate Administrative Professionals Week and recognize the exceptional work our administrative staff do in setting the tone as true ambassadors of the District. Thank you for your dedication and all that you do.

C. Deputy Superintendent Comments

Deputy Superintendent Anderson echoed Superintendent Rundle's comments; thank you to all the Administrative Professionals throughout the District.

D. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instructional Technology Comments

Deferred comments until later in the agenda.

E. Board President Comments

President Mendez reminded the Board of the Special Board meeting on Friday, April 25th at 8:00 a.m. The Board will conduct the Superintendent Evaluation; discussion took place on options for a date and time. Options will be mailed to the Board.

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Board Minutes:** March 10, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes, March 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, March 20, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes, and March 27, 2025 Special

and Closed Meeting Minutes

B. Budget Report: March 2025 Budget Report

C. Accounts Payable: March 2025 Accounts Payable Report

D. Retirement: Don Eastman, GLHS Principal

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Vice President LaDuke to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and accept the retirement with great regret. Superintendent Rundle shared his well wishes for Don's retirement, we've appreciated all your work in the District. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Presentations & Reports

A. GLHS Cognia Accreditation

Assistant Superintendent Bordner and Principal Eastman presented an overview of the GLHS Cognia Accreditation to the Board. Gull Lake High School has maintained accreditation for 53 years and will continue to participate in the Cognia Accreditation process every six years.

B. Bond Update

Trustee McCann provided a Bond Update to the Board. Series II Bond work is nearing completion with continued work at GLMS and an entry sign at the GLCFA. The wish list items were broken into two packets; Bid Pack #1 work will begin during the summer and Bid Pack #2 will be discussed under New Business.

C. Board of Education Community Relations Committee

The Committee met and discussed the Community Organizations Breakfast which will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at the Gull Lake Center for the Fine Arts Gallery from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Vice President LaDuke personally invited Speaker Matt Hall and Senator Sean McCann to the event.

D. Board of Education Curriculum Committee

The Committee met and discussed the GLHS Cognia Accreditation that was presented earlier in the meeting.

E. Board of Education Facilities Committee

The Committee met and discussed 1) Bond & Sinking Fund Update; 2) Fencing Update; 3) District Signage; 4) Kellogg Elementary Traffic Flow; 5) Facility Master Planning

F. Board of Education Finance Committee

The Committee met and discussed the Excess Food Service Fund Balance Spend Down Plan, 2025-26 Budget Projections, Enrollment Update, and the Monthly Budget Report.

G. Board of Education Negotiations/Personnel Committee

The Committee met and discussed the Transportation Market Analysis with Jeff Rahmberg and is currently developing recommendations. The Committee also discussed a Custodial Wage Proposal, requested further data based on our universe group, and reviewed the open positions.

H. Board of Education Policy Committee

The Committee did not meet.

7. Old Business – none

8. New Business

A. Schools of Choice

Deputy Superintendent Anderson announced that Schools of Choice will be open from April 28, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. and will close on May 27, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. with a minimum of one student per grade level.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Vice President LaDuke to approve the Schools of Choice 2025-2026 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Overnight Trip Request for GLVP

Director Bordner requested permission on behalf of GLVP for an overnight trip request to Mackinac Island, Michigan, September 14-17, 2025.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Vice President LaDuke to approve the Overnight Trip Request for GLVP as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Cold Storage Additions Bid Recommendation

Deputy Superintendent Anderson introduced Rob Atkins from Kingscott to the Board. Rob presented the Cold Storage Additions Bid Recommendation to the Board. The project consists of new storage additions to two existing buildings: Maintenance and High School Performing Arts Center for a total amount of \$1,519,043.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Trustee McCann to approve the Cold Storage Additions Bid Recommendation as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Miscellaneous Improvements – Sinking Fund Bid Recommendation

Rob Atkins presented the Miscellaneous Improvements – Sinking Fund Bid Recommendation to the Board in the amount of \$509,000 to Beckering Construction using Sinking Fund dollars. The project includes work at GLMS and Richland Elementary School.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Trustee McCann to approve the Miscellaneous Improvements – Sinking Fund Bid Recommendation as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Ryan Intermediate Skylights Bid Recommendation

Rob Atkins presented the Ryan Intermediate Skylights Bid Recommendation to the Board in the amount of \$399,657 and Voluntary Alternate No. 1 of \$21,548 and Voluntary Alternate No. 4 of \$9,611 for a total award of \$430,816 to Architectural Glass & Metals.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Trustee McCann to approve the Ryan Intermediate Skylights Bid Recommendation as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

F. GLHS Black Box Theater Controls Bid Recommendation

Rob Atkins presented the GLHS Black Box Theater Controls Bid Recommendation to the Board in the amount of \$63,638.87 and voluntary alternate of \$4,949.76 for a total award of \$68,588.63 to Associated Controls + Design.

It was moved by Treasurer Zervic and supported by Trustee McCann to approve the GLHS Black Box Theater Controls Bid Recommendation as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business President Mendez adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

President Carole Mendez

Acting Secretary Krystal Scott-Rhodes

Minutes approved: _____