

JENISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 12, 2026
Jenison Center for the Arts

Board Members Present:

Dr. Eric Hartman, D.C., Board President
William Waalkes, Board Vice President
Dr. Chris Reed, PhD., Board Treasurer
Dr. Jennifer Griffin, D.P.M., Board Secretary
Donna Mooney, Trustee
Craig Jenison, J.D., Trustee
Shannon Hogan, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Administration Present:

Dr. Brandon Graham, Superintendent
Jon Mroz, Assistant Superintendent
Katie Moy, Chief of Staff

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Jenison Public Schools Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 12, 2026, at the Jenison Center for the Arts by Board President, Dr. Hartman.

RECOGNITION

The Board recognized Rosewood Elementary:
Matt Pennington - Rosewood Parent Club Treasurer
Erika Betts - Rosewood Social Worker
Michelle Phiher - Substitute

RECESS

The board took a brief recess at 6:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:41 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were received from the following individuals

- Randy Vanduinen, road and traffic concerns on Tyler Ave.
- Pete Plowman, road and traffic concerns on Tyler Ave.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by C. Reed, supported by D. Mooney, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes
Motion by D. Mooney, supported by W. Waalkes, to approve the September 28, 2026, Board of Education meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
2. Approval of Financial Report

Motion by J. Griffin, supported by C. Jenison, to approve the September financial report as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Approval of Summer Tax Resolution

The annual summer tax resolution was presented, necessary for 100% summer tax collection.

Motion by C. Reed, supported by D. Mooney, to approve the summer tax resolution as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Roll call vote: Ayes: C. Jenison, S. Hogan, J. Griffin, C. Reed, E. Hartman, W. Waalkes, D. Mooney

Nays:

Absent:

4. Approval of Upgrade to Building Ventilators

Motion by C. Reed, supported by S. Hogan, to approve the upgrade of ventilation controls at all elementary buildings and the Junior High, at a cost not to exceed \$125,000, funded from the 2020 Capital Projects Fund. Motion carried 7-0.

5. Approval of Golf Simulators

Motion by D. Mooney, supported by C. Jenison, to approve 3 new simulators for the golf program, at a cost not to exceed \$85,000, funded by athletic and high school budgets, athletics booster contribution, and general capital projects. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Audit Review

Sydney Herioux from Maner Costerison presented the June 30, 2026 audit including:

The District received the independent auditor's report on the District's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. The auditors issued an unmodified ("clean") opinion. They reported no material weaknesses in internal control and no instances of noncompliance required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

The General Fund ended the year with a fund balance of \$20,260,470, about 23% of operating expenditures. That reflects a use of fund balance of \$1,191,527, which was less than the amount budgeted.

The auditors repeated one prior-year comment: the food service fund balance remains above the Michigan Department of Education limit of three months of operating expenditures. Food Service is working on a plan to spend down the excess.

2. Superintendent's Update

Dr. Graham provided an update including:

- Homecoming success
- Jenison Growth of the last 10 years - Enrollment
- Cross Country success - boys & girls teams, boys ranked #2 in the state
- Parent-teacher conferences and the importance connection point for our families
- Next board building visit, October 20th from 9-11 am
- Band won regional competition in Toledo

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Griffin, Board Secretary