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Unofficial Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, February 9, 2026, 6:00 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held Monday, February 9, 2026 beginning at 6:00 PM in the Boyne City Education Center's Hospitality Room, 321 South Park St., Boyne City, MI 49712.

The meeting was called to order by President Zareena Koch at 6:00 pm in the Boyne City Education Center's Hospitality Room, 321 South Park St., Boyne City, MI 49712.

Present: Riley Cope, Zareena Koch, Mary Towne, Jill Towne-Patton, Sara Ward

Absent: Savannah Hrenko, Joel Schraw

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Agenda Modifications

The order of presentations will be switched with Dave Hills presenting first.

IV. Board Recognition

A. Community Christmas Recognition

Justin Weisler, Shannha Behling and Daylon Robbins were presented a Certificate of Appreciation by Board President, Zareena Koch. This year Community Christmas helped 163 families 463 children.

B. David Hills - MHSFCA Hall of Fame Award

Gus Kupolka presented David Hills with the MHSFCA Hall of Fame plaque.

V. Presentation(s):

A. Monica Peck - Boyne District Library

Monica presented on the book lending machine that will be donated to BCHS.

B. Rambler Fuel - Dave Hills

Dave spoke about a new program that is implemented at BCMS and BCHS called Rambler Fuel.

VI. Announcements and Comments

A. Superintendent

1. Graduation / End of Year Calendar

Pat Little reminded board members about the end of year and upcoming graduation dates.

2. Elementary Furniture Purchase

The elementary furniture purchase will be in two phases. The board will be approving phase one tonight.

3. Early Learners Recognition — Great Start Quality

Early Learners received the highest level of quality rating for Great Start Quality.

B. Board of Education

1. **Board of Education Committee Report**

a. Finance Committee and Budget Amendment Information

Irene Byrne spoke about the Finance Committee meeting and budget amendments.

2. **Board Comments** - None

VII. Public Commentary - None

VIII. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Move that Consent Agenda items for the be adopted, as presented. This motion, made by Jill Towne-Patton and seconded by Sara Ward, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve the Board of Education meeting minutes of January 12, 2026, and January 26, 2026.

B. Business and Finance Items

1. **Payment of the Monthly Bills**

To approve the monthly bills:

Food Service Fund - \$32,140.60

Bond Fund - \$5,688.51

Capital Improvement Fund - \$66,242.50

General Fund - \$547,864.11

TOTAL - \$651,935.72

2. **Donation**

a. **Boyne District Library - Lending Machine Donation**

Motion to approve the following donation of a Lending Machine made to Boyne City High School, as recommended administratively.

b. **The Booster Foundation Donation**

Motion to approve the following donation in the total amount of \$21,700 made by The Booster Foundation to be distributed as follows:

Shoe Club \$1,500

Drama - NYC Trip \$4,600

E-Sports - Equipment \$2,500

Girls Basketball - Backpacks \$1,000

Robotics - Equipment \$2,500

Rambler Power - Rambler Fuel Program \$1,000

Graduation Celebration Committee - Supplies for All Night Party \$1,000
Elementary School - Boyne Blast Supplies \$1,500
4th Grade - Trip to Mackinaw City \$2,100
ES STEM - Equipment \$2,000
Track and Cross Country - Coats \$2,000, as recommended administratively.

c. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Grant

To approve the donation from The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in the amount of \$11,596 to support the students to attend a Grand Canyon region school trip, as recommended administratively.

d. BCPS "Room 156" Donations

To approve the following donations to the BCPS "Room 156" from:
First Presbyterian Church - \$368.00
Vrondran Family "In Memory of Curt Sims" - \$50.00
George and Melissa Lasater - \$100.00
in the total amount of \$518.00, as recommended administratively.

IX. Break - None

X. Discussion Items

A. Construction Update - Barton Malow/French & Associates
Evan Checkack with Barton Malow gave an updated on the bond construction timeline.

B. Bid Packages #2 and #3 - Barton Malow / French & Associates
Chuck Marchetti with French & Associates presented the renderings of the new CTE additions.

C. NWEA Mid-Year Review
Pat sent the board a voice thread to the board members explaining the NWEA data.

D. School Climate Survey
The board has decided to go every three years with sending out the survey.

XI. Action Items

A. General Fund Budget Amendment

To approve the amendment for the 23/24 General Budget, as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Jill Towne-Patton and seconded by Mary Towne, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

B. Capital Improvement Budget Amendment

To approve the amendments for the 25/26 Capital Improvement Budget, as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Mary Towne and seconded by Jill Towne-Patton, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

C. Transfer of Funds from General Funds to Capital Project Savings

To transfer \$180,000 from General Funds to Capital Project Savings as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Sara Ward and seconded by Jill Towne-Patton, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

D. BCHS Fire Alarm Panel Replacement

To approve the replacement of the Siemens fire alarm control panel and loop 1 needed for the BCHS fire alarm panel in the amount of \$40,528. This motion, made by Riley Cope and seconded by Sara Ward, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

E. Elementary School Furniture Purchase

To approve the purchase of the Elementary School Furniture from Custer Inc, in the amount of \$274,499, as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Jill Towne-Patton and seconded by Sara Ward, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

F. Letter of Agreement with Health Department of Northwest Michigan

To approve the Letter of Agreement with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan for the high school and middle school nursing services, for the 2026/2027 school year, as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Sara Ward and seconded by Mary Towne, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

G. Bond Sale Resolution- Series II

To move to adopt the resolution to authorize issuance of the 2025 School Building and Site Bonds, Series II, as recommended administratively. This motion, made by Mary Towne and seconded by Zareena Koch, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

XII. Correspondence

A. Good Job Notes

B. 2026 MIAAA Exemplary Athletics Program Award

XIII. Public Commentary – None

XIV. Additional Action/Discussion Items - None

XV. Adjournment

Move that the meeting be adjourned at 7:07 pm. This motion, made by Jill Towne-Patton and seconded by Riley Cope, Passed.

Riley Cope: Yea, Zareena Koch: Yea, Mary Towne: Yea, Jill Towne-Patton: Yea, Sara Ward: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Ward, Board Secretary
Boyne City Board of Education

Angela Matelski, Recording Secretary
Boyne City Public Schools