East Lansing Public Schools Regular Meeting Minutes August 25, 2025 7:00 PM MacDonald Middle School Auditorium 1601 Burcham Dr East Lansing, MI 48823

## 1. Opening of Meeting

#### I.A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Martin at 7:02 pm.

### I.B. Roll Call

Chambers: Present, Edsall: Present, Faris-Hylen: Present, Lyons: Present, Martin:

Present, Torrez: Absent – arrived at 7:17 pm, Tykocki: Absent.

Student Representative Dijagah: Present Student Representative Meghea: Present Superintendent Dori Leyko: Absent.

Deputy Superintendent Glenn Mitcham: Present.

I.C. Mission Statement: Nurturing Each Child, Educating All Students, Building World Citizens
The mission statement was read by Trustee Chambers.

# I.D. Approval of Agenda

<u>Motion: 25-26/016:</u> I move that the Board of Education approve the August 25, 2025, regular meeting agenda, as presented.

This motion, made by Faris-Hylen and seconded by Lyons, Passed.

Torrez: Absent, Tykocki: Absent, Chambers: Aye, Edsall: Aye, Faris-Hylen: Aye, Lyons: Aye, Martin: Aye,

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

## I.E. Approval of Minutes

<u>Motion: 25-26/017:</u> I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meetings:

I.E.1. August 11, 2025, regular meeting

I.E.2. August 11, 2025, closed session

This motion, made by Chambers and seconded by Lyons, Passed.

Torrez: Absent, Tykocki: Absent, Chambers: Aye, Edsall: Aye, Faris-Hylen: Aye, Lyons: Aye, Martin: Aye,

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

### II. Recognition

Click **here** for Recognition

## **III. Student Representatives Report**

III.A. Student Representatives Tania Dijagah and Maia Meghea:

- Reintroduction
- Fall sports games are beginning
  - Boys soccer and water polo have games on Tuesday;
  - o Girls swim and dive, JV and Freshman football on Wednesday;
  - Away Varsity football game; boys soccer game on Thursday;
  - First home Varsity football game next Friday;
    - •Marching band debuting their show;
    - Anticipating a packed spirited student section

# IV. Superintendent's Report

Deputy Superintendent Mitcham reported:

Great opening day across the district; high school held a pep assembly that was well received and built a lot of school spirit; staff were announced one at a time to a walk-up song.

Discussion followed

#### V. Public Comment

This is the opportunity to address the Board. Speakers are to confine their remarks to five minutes. If a speaker requires more than five minutes, after all other persons who have requested to speak during this part of the meeting have spoken, that speaker will be allowed additional time. The Superintendent or other district staff may comment to clear up or avoid significant misunderstandings.

No public comment

#### VI. Board Discussion

VI.A. September/October Board Meeting Date(s)

- Next meeting is scheduled for September 8 and then there isn't another meeting scheduled until October 27; this is due to Rosh Hashanah and Indigenous People's Day;
- Would like to find another date in between these two meetings; tends to be a busier time of the year; potentially another day that is not a Monday;
- Superintendent Leyko will have a recommendation for new Assistant Superintendent by September 22; would like to see if a meeting could be scheduled on another day of that week;
- Look at either September 25 or September 29; the 29<sup>th</sup> did not work for Superintendent Leyko; October 6 would work however if there is a new hire, a special meeting would need to be held;
- Thursday, September 26 makes sense;
- Do we want to schedule a meeting in the first half of October? Are we okay with having a four-week gap?
- Suggestion to schedule a meeting and it could be canceled if the meeting is not needed; Tuesday, October 14
- There is a meeting scheduled on November 24; due to the Thanksgiving Break that week should we cancel the meeting? Past practice is that there isn't a

meeting scheduled when school isn't in session; agreed that this meeting should be canceled.

The November 10 regular meeting is not on the meeting schedule on the website;
 will have it added

# **Amendment to Agenda**

<u>Motion: 25-26/018:</u> I move to amend the agenda to add item VII. B. Change to the Board Calendar for 2025.

This motion, made by Edsall and seconded by Chambers, Passed.

Tykocki: Absent, Chambers: Aye, Edsall: Aye, Faris-Hylen: Aye, Lyons: Aye, Martin: Aye,

Torrez: Aye

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### VII. Action Items

# VII.A. Amendment to East Lansing Public Schools Contract of Employment

<u>Motion: 25-26/019:</u> I move that the Board of Education modify the following terms in Section I.1 (Earned Sick Time) for Principals, Associate Principals, Director of Athletics & Activities, District Mental Health Coordinator, and Behavior Systems Analyst for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 and July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

This motion, made by Faris-Hylen and seconded by Lyons, Passed.

Discussion followed

Tykocki: Absent, Chambers: Aye, Edsall: Aye, Faris-Hylen: Aye, Lyons: Aye, Martin: Aye,

Torrez: Aye

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

# VII.B. Change to the Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2025

<u>Motion: 25-26/020:</u> I move to amend the board meeting calendar to add a board meeting on September 25, 2025, and October 14, 2025 and remove the November 24, 2025 meeting.

This motion, made by Edsall and seconded by Fairs-Hylen, Passed.

Discussion followed – clarification that the additional meetings start time is 7:00 pm.

Tykocki: Absent, Chambers: Aye, Edsall: Aye, Faris-Hylen: Aye, Lyons: Aye, Martin: Aye,

Torrez: Aye

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

VIII.A. Academic and Technology Committee

- No report;
- Schedule a meeting in September

# VIII.B. Facilities Committee

- No report;
- Will meet in September

## VIII.C. Finance Committee

Meeting scheduled for September 8 at 10:30 am in the HUB at ELHS

# VIII.D. Intergovernmental Relations

No report

## VIII.E. Personnel Committee

- No report;
- Superintendent Leyko will schedule a meeting in coming weeks

# VIII.F. Policy Committee

- No report;
- Meeting scheduled for September 8 at 1:00 pm in the HUB at ELHS

# VIII.G. Ingham School Officers Association (ISOA)

ISOA will be resuming regular meetings soon

## IX. Announcements

- IX.A. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education is September 8, 2025.
- IX.B. New administration building is going up fast; Superintendent Leyko and Deputy Superintendent Mitcham toured the building and it is coming along.

# X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.