

**Ionia County Intermediate School District**

2191 Harwood Road

Ionia, MI 48846

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**ISD Board of Education**

Regular Board Meeting

Looking Glass Conference Room

January 8, 2026 - 4:00 pm

**1) Call to Order**

Board President L. Hoxie-Green called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**2) Pledge of Allegiance**

**3) Roll Call**

Present:

Linda Hoxie-Green - President

Randy Masterson – Vice President

Brian Talbot - Treasurer

Absent:

Amber Rood - Secretary

Kerry Possehn - Trustee

Others present:

Ethan Ebenstein, Marvin Van Nortwick, Ted Paton, Kelly Piercefield, John Milewski, Tracy Dickinson

**4) Approval of Agenda**

Moved by L. Hoxie-Green, and supported by B. Talbot, to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

*The motion passed unanimously*

**5) Additions or Changes to the Agenda**

- None

**6) Appointment of Officers**

Randy Masterson was appointed to serve as Acting Secretary in Ms. Rood's absence.

**7) Visitor/Public Comment**

- None

## **8) Consent Agenda**

Moved by R. Masterson and supported by B. Talbot, to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of the December 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes;
- B. Approval of Vouchers in the amount of \$1,103,423.31;
- C. Personnel updates noting the hiring of Chelsea McCartha as a Health Care Aide.

*A Roll Call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously*

## **9) Administrative Reports**

### **A. Superintendent**

Mr. Ebenstein added/highlighted the following item(s):

- Mr. Paton would provide more information regarding the “OCR - Agency Voluntary Compliance Plan” Action Item that would be voted on later in the meeting;
- Small gifts were given to the Board in recognition of January being “School Board Appreciation” month.

### **B. Fiscal Services**

Mr. Van Nortwick added/highlighted the following item(s):

- Currently working on the 2026-2027 Budget;
- State Budget;
- Looking to present the Amended Budget #2 at the March Board Meeting.

## **10) Action Items**

### **A. OCR - Agency Voluntary Compliance Plan**

Mr. Paton reviewed the Office of Civil Rights audit that was held in December. He provided examples of the “findings” noting that the Career Center was 93% in compliance with no major citations. Many of the minor citations that were found have already been addressed or will be before the January 26, 2026 Voluntary Compliance Plan Due Date.

Moved by L. Hoxie-Green, and supported by R. Masterson to formally approve and adopt the Agency Voluntary Compliance Plan for Ionia ISD as presented.

*A Roll Call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously*

## **11) Discussion Topics**

- None

## **12) Communications**

- None

**13) Comments by Board Members**

- None

**14) Items for Future Meetings**

- None

**15) Adjourn**

L. Hoxie-Green adjourned the meeting at 4:16 pm.

*Motion passed unanimously*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

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Board Secretary