East Lansing Public Schools
Regular Meeting
Monday, May 13, 2024 7:00 PM Eastern

Board Room
509 Burcham Drive
East Lansing, Michigan 48823

I. Opening of Meeting

I.A. *Call to Order*

President Chris Martin called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

I.B. *Roll Call*

Dr. Terah Chambers:	Present
Dr. Kath Edsall:	Present
Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen:	Present
Mr. Gary Holbrook:	Present
Dr. Elizabeth Lyons:	Absent
Mr. Chris Martin:	Present
Dr. Estrella Torrez:	Absent
Student Representative Rairigh	Present
Student Representative Walsh	Absent
Superintendent Dori Leyko	Present

Present: 7, Absent: 3.

I.C. *Mission Statement: Nurturing Each Child, Educating All Students, Building World Citizens*

Trustee Tali Faris-Hylen read the mission statement.

I.D. *Approval of Agenda*

Motion: 23-24/103: *The Board of Education approves the May 13, 2024, regular meeting agenda, as presented.*

This motion, made by Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Kath Edsall, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion followed

I.E. *Approval of Minutes*

Motion: 23-24/104: *The Board of Education approves the following minutes*

I.E.1. April 22, 2024 regular meeting

I.E.2. April 29, 2024 special meeting

I.E.3. April 29, 2024 closed session

This motion, made by Kath Edsall and seconded by Tali Faris-Hylen, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

II. **Recognition**

II.A. Student Representative Recognition

II.A.1. Student Liaison to the Board of Education

- Jennifer Rairigh
- Holyn Walsh

II.A.2. Student Liaison to the Academic and Technology Committee

- Reena Natla
- Elliana Hayes
- Naziyah Hall

II.A.3. Student Liaison to the Mental Health Advisory Committee

- Nyx Zoll
- Gabby Hodkinson
- Leo Kendall

II.A.4. Student Liaison to the Sex Education Advisory Board

- Kelly Maier
- Myah Valla

Click here for additional recognition.

III. **Student Representative Report**

Student Representative Rairigh reported:

- ELHS clubs are currently holding officer elections
- Science Olympiad had states two weekends ago
- Black Student Union is preparing for their ice cream social and senior celebratory – open to the public
- NHS new member induction ceremony will be on Wednesday
- Girls tennis came in second at CAAC
- Lacrosse playoffs begin on Thursday
- Track and Field regionals are on Friday
- Unified Sports Day was successful

- Prom is this Saturday and post-prom is going to be at High Caliber
- May 23 is last academic day for seniors
- Cedar Point for seniors is May 28
- Graduation is May 30 at 7:00 pm at Breslin

Discussion followed

IV. **Superintendent's Report**

Click here for the Superintendent's report.

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.

- Kristen Pfaendtner - AFSCME contract

VI. **Presentation**

VI.A. "10 Things Red Cedar" Rinard Pugh, Principal, Chelsea Wheeler, Marc Finger, and Melissa Swales, Red Cedar teachers

VII. **Board Discussion**

VII.A. Potential Board Resolution, Trustee Edsall

- Resolution Calling for a Bilateral Immediate Ceasefire in Gaza and Israel and Release of Innocent Civilians by the Parties in Conflict

Discussion followed

VIII. **Action Items**

VIII.A. **MacDonald Middle School Band and Orchestra Trip to Chicago, Illinois**

Motion: 23-24/105: The Board of Education approve the trip request from Mr. Larzelere and Mr. Rosin to travel to Chicago for an overnight trip in May 2025 with MacDonald Middle School band and orchestra students.

This motion, made by Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Gary Holbrook, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VIII.B. **Bond Resolution**

Motion 23-24/106: The Board of Education approve the authorizing resolution for the issuance of bonds as prepared by counsel.

This motion, made by Terah Chambers and seconded by Tali Faris-Hylen, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion followed

VIII.C. **Renewal of the Food Service Management Contract with Chartwells School Dining for FY 2024-25**

Motion: 23-24/107: *The Board of Education authorize the Superintendent, or designee, to sign the attached Contract Renewal – Rate Agreement Form and Signature Page, to renew the food service management contract with Chartwells School Dining for a period of one year beginning on July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 as presented.*

This motion, made by Kath Edsall and seconded by Gary Holbrook, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VIII.D. **IRC Section 127 Plan**

Motion: 23-24/108: *The Board of Education adopt the Section 127 Plan of the Internal Revenue Code, as presented.*

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

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion followed

VIII.E. **Ingham Intermediate School District's 2024-25 Proposed General Fund Budget**

Motion: 23-24/109: *The Board of Education adopt the resolution in support of the proposed 2024-25 Ingham Intermediate School District General Fund budget, as presented.*

This motion, made by Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Terah Chambers, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion followed

VIII.F. **2023-24 Final Budget Revision**

VIII.F.1. **General Fund**

Motion: 23-24/110: The Board of Education adopt the 2023-24 Final Budget Revision resolution for the General Fund, as presented on pages 5-6 of the Budget Book.

This motion, made by Kath Edsall and seconded by Gary Holbrook, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VIII.F.2. **Food Service Fund**

Motion: 23-24/111: The Board of Education adopt the 2023-24 Final Budget Revision resolution for the Food Service Fund, as presented on page 7 of the Budget Book.

This motion, made by Kath Edsall and seconded by Tali Faris-Hylen, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VIII.F.3. **Student/School Activity Fund**

Motion: 23-24/112: The Board of Education adopt the 2023-24 Final Budget Revision resolution for the Student/School Activity Fund, as presented on page 8 of the Budget Book.

This motion, made by Kath Edsall and seconded by Gary Holbrook, Passed.

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

VIII.G. **AFSCME (Administrative Assistants) CBA**

Motion: 23-24./113: The Board of Education approve the agreement between the East Lansing Board of Education and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 1390 covering the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 as presented.

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

Dr. Elizabeth Lyons: Absent, Dr. Estrella Torrez: Absent, Dr. Terah Chambers: Aye, Dr. Kath Edsall: Aye, Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen: Aye, Mr. Gary Holbrook: Aye, Mr. Chris Martin: Aye

Aye: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion followed

IX. **Committee Reports**

IX.A. Academic and Technology Committee

- Next meeting is May 17 at 1:00 pm
- AI in schools
- Algebra curriculum

IX.B. Facilities Committee

- Next meeting is May 17 at 12:30

IX.C. Finance Committee

- Discussed the action items for this meeting
- County wide committee to look at SE funding

IX.D. Intergovernmental Relations

- No report

IX.E. Personnel Committee

- Next meeting is May 23 meeting at 1:00 pm

IX.F. Policy Committee

- Next meeting is June 3 at 10:30 am

X. **Announcements**

X.A. The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting is June 10, 2024.

X.B. Graduation is Thursday, May 30 at 7:00 pm at the Breslin Center.

XI. **Adjournment**

President Chris Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.

President

Secretary

Congratulations to the following MacDonald Middle School students who participated in the Michigan Music Teachers Association Student Achievement Day for piano: Henry Barryman, Langston Chambers, Sean Dai, Samuel Kang, Zail Roberts and Mark Shilakes. These students prepared for many months in order to successfully complete the program. We are very proud of their efforts and their recognition is well deserved!

MMS is also having an incredible track and field season. 7th grader Cayla Hawkins won the 70, 200 and was part of the 4 by 100 meter relay team with one of the fastest 4 by 100 times in school history. And in fact, this relay team is currently ranked as the #1 4x100 team in the greater Lansing area! In addition to 7th grader Cayla Hawkins, the team consists of 8th graders Nadia Guess, Nandi Gordon, and Bridget Buhl.

One more shout out to our MMS athletes- MMS's U14 baseball team defeated Grand Ledge last Thursday who were also undefeated. With an amazing comeback win, our EL team remains undefeated!

Congrats to winner of State Representative Penelope Tsernoglou's Teacher of the Month award- Ross Gorman. Thank you Mr. Gorman for all you do for our students at ELHS!

Now finally onto our incredible student reps that have participated in board and committee meetings throughout the school year.

Thank you to:
Student Liaisons to the BOE- Jennifer Rairigh and Holyn Walsh
Reena Natla, Elliana Hayes and Naziyah Hall who joined the Academic and Technology Committee
Student Liaisons to the Mental Health Advisory Committee- Nyx Zoll, Gabby Hodkinson and Leo Kendall
Myah Valla and Kelly Maier who sat on the Sex Ed Advisory Board

We value your voices and acknowledge the time and energy you put into these roles. Thank you!

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ELPS Superintendent's Report
May 13, 2024

Staff Appreciation Month

We would like to recognize the outstanding staff we have at ELPS during Teacher (expanded to Staff) Appreciation Day/Week/Month! Our school councils celebrated our staff last week with a variety of treats, meals and gifts. Central office administrators are serving ice cream floats and fruit bars at the end of the school day throughout the month of May. Many thanks to our wonderful staff members that make ELPS a great place to attend and work.

May 7, 2024 Bond Proposal Approved by Voters!

Thank you to our voters who approved our May 7 bond proposal to improve safety, security and accessibility at East Lansing High School and MacDonald Middle School. Voters approved the bond with approximately 68% of the voters voting in support of the bond project. Updates will be shared periodically as we move through bond pricing and project planning.

Open Position in ELPS

ELPS currently has the following positions posted:

- Director of Special Education (deadline May 16)
- ELHS Math Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- MMS Special Education Paraprofessional – (deadline May 22)
- MMS 6th- Grade Science Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- Donley 2nd-Grade Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- Marble 4th-Grade Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- Marble Kindergarten Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- Red Cedar GSRP Teacher – (deadline May 16)
- Red Cedar GSRP Asst. Teacher – (deadline May 16)

Interested candidates can review and apply for these positions at https://elps.us/our-district/departments/human-resources/employment/

2024-25 Student Calendar

Here is a link to the 2024-25 school year calendar. Please note one change from the previous calendar we had posted on the website. The November Professional Learning Friday has been moved from November 8 to November 1. Students will not have classes November 1 but will be in class November 8. Here is a link to the updated calendars: https://elps.us/our-district/district-calendar/

County Tabletop Meeting

Last Thursday, Holt Public Schools hosted a county-wide Emergency Preparedness Tabletop Exercise. District leaders and local law enforcement agencies were present to explore and discuss responses to an out-of-school-day threat during a football game. We will continue to participate in these tabletop exercises to process a variety of situations.

ELPS Board of Education Election

This November, there will be four open seats on the ELPS Board of Education. Candidates interested in running for one of these four-year terms should visit the Ingham County Clerk's website to learn more about the requirements for filing. The deadline to file is July 23, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Here is a website with additional information:
https://clerk.ingham.org/departments_and_officials/county_clerk/candidates.php

Upcoming Board and Committee Meetings

- June 10, 2024 – Regular Meeting of the BOE (There is no Board Meeting May 27 due to Memorial Day.)