East Lansing Public School
Organizational Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2025 7:00 PM Eastern

Board Room
509 Burcham Drive
East Lansing, Michigan 48823

I. Opening of Meeting

I.A. *Call to Order*
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Chris Martin.

I.B. *Roll Call*

Dr. Terah Chambers:	Present
Dr. Kath Edsall:	Present
Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen:	Present
Dr. Elizabeth Lyons:	Present
Mr. Chris Martin:	Present
Dr. Estrella Torrez:	Present
Ms. Abbie Tykocki:	Present
Student Representative Stella Alfredson	Absent
Student Representative Holyn Walsh	Present
Superintendent Dori Leyko	Present

I.C. *Mission Statement: Nurturing Each Child, Educating All Students, Building World Citizens*
The mission statement was read by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons.

I.D. *Ceremonial Oath of Office by Elected School Board Members*

I.D.1. Abbie Tykocki

I.D.2. Chris Martin

I.D.3. Elizabeth Lyons

I.D.4. Estrella Torrez

I.E. *Approval of Agenda*
Motion: 24-25/045: *I move to approve the January 13, 2025 organizational meeting, as presented.*

This motion, made by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

I.F. *Election of Officers*

I.F.1. Election of President
Motion: 24-25/046: *I move to nominate Chris Martin for President.*

This motion, made by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Dr. Estrella Torrez, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

I.F.2. Election of Vice President
Motion: 24-25/047: I move to nominate Elizabeth Lyons for Vice President.

This motion, made by Mr. Chris Martin and seconded by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

I.F.3. Election of Treasurer
Motion: 24-25/048: I move to nominate Kath Edsall for Treasurer.

This motion, made by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

I.F.4. Election of Secretary
Motion: 24-25/049: I move to nominate Tali Faris-Hylen for Secretary.

This motion, made by Dr. Kath Edsall and seconded by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

I.G. *Approval of Minutes*
Motion: 24-25/050: I move to approve the minutes of the following meeting, as presented.

I.G.1. December 9, 2024, regular meeting

This motion, made by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons and seconded by Dr. Estrella Torrez, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

II. **Recognition**

Click here for Recognition.

III. **Student Representative Report**

Student Representative Holyn Walsh reported:

- This week is finals week.
- The multi-cultural assembly is on February 2.
- The Winter Formal is on February 8.
- New club at the high school - SPARK - students promoting resilience, awareness, and kindness - goal to organize projects to promote mental health awareness
- Boys' and girls' basketball played Holt last week and will plays Okemos this week
- The gymnastics team took 6th place at the Fraser Invitational and has a meet against Fowlerville this week.

IV. **Superintendent's Report**

Click here for the Superintendent's Report.

V. **Consent Agenda**
Motion: 24-25/051: I move to approve the consent agenda to include the following items:

V.A. Hiring of **Randi Trumble** - 1.0 FTE district-wide School Nurse at MA Step 14 effective February 3, 2025.

This motion, made by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Dr. Elizabeth Lyons, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

VI. **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.

- Ross Gorman - ELEA Representative
- Kristen Pfaendtner - AFSCME - welcome to the new board member

VII. **Board Discussion**

VII.A. Proposed Resolution

- Kath Edsall - discussed the proposed resolution to incorporate with current policy; this is to reaffirm our commitment to undocumented students and staff;
- Tali Faris-Hylen and Estrella Torrez - appreciate the promptness in putting this together;
- Terah Chambers - appreciates foresight in looking at this policy; current policies will protect students and families.

Motion: 24-25/052: I move to amend the agenda to add VIII. Action Item D: Resolution Affirming its Commitment to a Safe and Supportive School Environment for all Students, regardless of immigration status, as presented.

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

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

VIII. **Action Items**

VIII.A. **Updated Policy 5710 Student Suicide Prevention**
Motion: 24-25/053: I move to adopt the updated Policy 5710 Student Suicide Prevention, as presented.

This motion, made by Dr. Terah Chambers and seconded by Abbie Tykocki, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

VIII.B. **Policy 5714 Threat Assessment and Response**
Motion: 24-25/054: I move to adopt Policy 5714 Threat Assessment and Response, as presented.

This motion, made by Dr. Terah Chambers and seconded by Abbie Tykocki, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion followed.

VIII.C. **2025 Board Meeting Schedule**
Motion: 24-25/055: I move to adopt the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule, as presented.

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

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion followed.

VIII.D. **Resolution for Safe and Supportive Schools**
Motion: 24-25/056: I move to adopt the Resolution Affirming its Commitment to a Safe and Supportive School Environment for all Students, regardless of immigration status, as presented.

This motion, made by Dr. Kath Edsall and seconded by Dr. Estrella Torrez, Passed.

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

Aye: 7, Nay: 0

IX. **Committee Reports**

IX.A. Academic and Technology Committee

- No report

IX.B. Facilities Committee

- No report

IX.C. Finance Committee

- Consolidated Grant Final Allocations
- Section 31aa Supplemental Award Estimate
- Bond Issue 2nd Series and Bond Refunding Underwriting Fee
- HB 6058 Possible Financial Impacts

IX.D. Intergovernmental Relations

- No report

IX.E. Personnel Committee

- No report

IX.F. Policy Committee

- The January 6 meeting was canceled
- The committee was waiting for legal clarification
- Discussion regarding enrollment documents

X. **Announcements**

X.A. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education is January 27, 2025.
X.B. Mr. Chris Martin will reach out this week for committee assignments.
X.C. With the departure of Mr. Gary Holbrook the board will need a new representative for ISOA.

XI. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

President

Secretary