

Montabella Community Schools
Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2026 - 5:30 PM

A Regular Board of Education Meeting of the Montabella Board of Education was called to order by President, Eylie Foster on Monday, March 16, 2026, at 5:30 PM in the JR/SR HIGH CAFETERIA, 1390 North County Line Rd., Blanchard, Michigan 49310.

I. Opening of Meeting - by President Eylie Foster

The Mission of Montabella Community Schools is to provide high-quality instruction in a safe and inspiring learning environment where every student achieves their potential.

II. Reports

Project Graduation-Ora Darling
MSAC Expansion-Andrew DeGood
Budget Amendments-Jessica Aldridge
Superintendent Search-Paul Hungerford

III. Superintendent

IV. Community Input

V. Discussion

Creation of Capital Projects Fund
MSAC Expansion

VI. Consent Agenda

Draft Minutes
Financial Recommendations
Resignations

Motion to approve the consent agenda. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

A. Minutes

Draft Minutes

B. Financial Recommendations

FP Finance Report
Board Report

C. Resignations

Mason Naimo-Custodian

VII. Action Agenda

Personnel Recommendations
Capital Projects Fund
GF Budget Amendments
FS Budget Amendments
Construction Bids
Curriculum Director Contract
MEA Powerlifting LOA

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MEA Retention Bonus LOA
MEA LETRs training LOA
MESPA Retention Bonus LOA
Administrators and Non-Union Addendum
MAISD Parent Advisory Committee

Motion to approve the action agenda as presented. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Scott Parks, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

A. Personnel Recommendations

John Ball-Varsity Golf Coach~5% Step 1
Hannah Ball-Girls MS Track
Alexandria McKinstry-Boys MS Track

Motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Erica Vincent: Abstain (With Conflict), Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea

B. Capital Projects Fund

Motion to create a new capital projects fund within the current accounting system that will be used for improvement projects that are above the state bidding threshold and involve labor costs. Proceeds from this account will come from operating tax revenue received from local taxing units. The initial amount of the new fund shall be \$150,000.00. This motion, made by Erica Vincent and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

C. General Fund Budget Amendment

Motion to adopt the 2025-26 General Fund Budget Amendment as presented. This motion, made by Ivan Renne and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

D. Food Service Budget Amendment

Motion to adopt the 2025-26 Food Service Budget Amendment as presented. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

E. Construction Bids

Motion to approve the bids for our 2026-2027 classroom addition project as presented. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

F. Curriculum Director Contract

Motion to approve the contract for the shared Curriculum Director with Lakeview Community Schools. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

G. MEA Powerlifting LOA

Motion to approve Powerlifting as a Schedule B activity at Montabella Jr/Sr High. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Scott Parks, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

H. MEA Retention Bonus LOA

LOA LTRs Compensation

Motion to approve the letter of agreement with the Montabella Education Association for a retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year, using section 27I(2) funds as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

I. MEA LTRs Training LOA

Motion to approve the letter of agreement with the Montabella Education Association for a stipend to teachers that voluntarily complete LETRs training as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

J. MESPA Retention Bonus LOA

Motion to approve the letter of agreement with the Montabella Education Support Personnel Association for a retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year, using section 27I(2) funds as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Ivan Renne and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Erica Vincent: Abstain (With Conflict), Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea

K. Administrators and Non-Union Addendums

Motion to approve an addendum to contracts of Administrators and Non-union employees, for a retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year using section 27I(2) state funds. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Timothy Eldred, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

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L. MAISD Parent Advisory Committee

Motion to approve Sharra Wright as our district representative on the MAISD Parent Advisory Committee. This motion, made by Ivan Renne and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

VIII. Adjournment

Adjourned by President Foster at 6:52 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ivan D. Renne
Board Secretary

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