

Okemos Public Schools
Resolution Authorizing the Establishment of
Certain Components of the 2022-2023 School Calendar

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the District (the “Board”) was held in the Community Conference Room in the Administration Center, in the District, on the 17th day of August, 2022 at 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was called to order by Mary Gebara, President.

Present: Dean Bolton, Katie Cavanaugh, Mary Gebara, Melanie C. Lynn, Vincent Lyon-Callo, Andrew Phelps

Absent: Jayme Taylor

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____:

Whereas:

1. The Okemos Public Schools Board of Education and the Okemos Education Association have been engaged in good faith collective bargaining, which includes negotiating the School Calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

2. An agreement between the Board and Association as to the 2022-2023 School Calendar has not yet been reached.

3. Pursuant to the Michigan Public Employment Relations Act:

A. Establishment of the starting day for the school year and of the amount of student instruction time required to receive full state school aid under the Revised School Code and the State School Aid Act is a prohibited bargaining subject, MCL 423.215(3)(b);

B. The Board has the right to establish a portion of the School Calendar when it is necessary to do so, even though there is no agreement with the Association.

4. Pursuant to Section 1284b of the Revised School Code, the Board “shall ensure” that its schools “are not in session on the Friday before Labor Day” and that the “school year does not begin before Labor Day” except if the District is operating under an approved Labor Day waiver issued by the Michigan Department of Education. Further, Section 1284b provides that the Board may require professional development for its personnel before Labor Day.

5. Pursuant to Section 1284a of the Revised School Code, the Board “shall ensure” that its school calendar complies with the common school calendar adopted by the Ingham ISD, which has identified December 19, 2022 – January 2, 2023, as Winter Break, and March 27-31, 2023, as Spring Break.

6. The 2022-2023 school year is rapidly approaching and it has now become necessary for the Board to establish certain components of the 2022-2023 School Calendar, absent agreement with the Association.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

1. The following portion of the 2022-2023 School Calendar is established (which, except for date changes, is similar to the 2021-2022 School Calendar):

Insert Dates

2. Regular school hours for the 2022-2023 school year are as follows:

Level	Full Days	Half Days
K-4	8:50 – 3:45 p.m.	8:50 – 12:00 p.m.
Kinawa	8:45 – 3:30 p.m.	8:45 – 11:55 a.m.
Chipewa	8:00 – 2:45 p.m.	8:00 – 11:50 a.m.
OHS	7:45 – 2:35 p.m.	7:45 – 10:55 a.m.

3. This action is taken due to the current absence of an agreement with the Association on the 2022-2023 calendar.

4. The Board authorizes and directs its administration to announce and publicize the above-adopted calendar dates to the Association, as well as to District parents/guardians, students, and staff.

5. The Board further authorizes and directs its administration to publicly post on the District's website the remaining school calendar dates for 2022-2023 (as last proposed by the District in collective bargaining with the Association), with a clearly-marked notation that those calendar dates are not yet adopted by the Board and are subject to change as the Board has an obligation to negotiate those dates with the Association.

6. The Board directs its administration to continue to engage in good faith collective bargaining with the Association.

7. The Superintendent or designee is authorized to take all such actions as are necessary to implement this resolution of the Board of Education.

8. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.

Ayes:

Nays:

Resolution declared adopted.

Jayme Taylor, Secretary
Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of the Okemos Public Schools, Ingham County, Michigan, certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting held on August 17, 2022, the original of which resolution is a part of the Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.

Jayme Taylor, Secretary
Board of Education