

**LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
March 23, 2026**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Mona Beydoun**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Mona Beydoun will retire from the district on June 4, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Mona Beydoun has devoted 10 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a special education paraprofessional at Western Wayne Skill Center; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Mona Beydoun for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

**Kerry Budai**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Kerry Budai will retire from the district on June 8, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Kerry Budai has devoted 29 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Hayes Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Kerry Budai on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

### **Jan Bice**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Jan Bice will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Jan Bice has devoted 19 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Hoover Elementary and Randolph Elementary as an elementary student assistance provider and an elementary support teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Jan Bice on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

### **Joanne Carroll**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Joanne Carroll will retire from the district on June 12, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Joanne Carroll has devoted 25 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a secretary in the IT Department and at Emerson Middle School; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Joanne Carroll for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

**Dennis Chapman**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Dennis Chapman will retire from the district on June 30, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dennis Chapman has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Holmes Middle School and Stevenson High School as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Dennis Chapman on his years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for his retirement.

**Judith Christie**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Judith Christie will retire from the district on June 4, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Judith Christie has devoted 36 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Nankin Mills Elementary, Taylor Elementary, Holmes Middle School and Churchill High School as a teacher and an adult education counselor; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Judith Christie on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Linda Cohan**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Linda Cohan will retire from the district on June 30, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Linda Cohan has devoted 36 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Grant Elementary, Cass Elementary, Cooper Upper Elementary and Randolph Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Linda Cohan on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Kimberly Colaizzi**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Kimberly Colaizzi will retire from the district on June 8, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Kimberly Colaizzi has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Cooper Elementary, Roosevelt Elementary, Tyler Elementary, Cass Elementary, Webster Elementary, Emerson Middle School and Frost Middle School as a special education teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Kimberly Colaizzi on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Colleen Cowher**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Colleen Cowher will retire from the district on June 4, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Colleen Cowher has devoted 36 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Tyler Elementary and Hoover Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Colleen Cowher on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**James Elder**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that James Elder will retire from the district on April 10, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, James Elder has devoted 10.7 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver in the Transportation Department; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to James Elder for his countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

**Paul Fairbrother**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Paul Fairbrother will retire from the district on June 15, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Paul Fairbrother has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Buchanan Elementary and Riley Upper Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Paul Fairbrother on his years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for his retirement.

**Dennis Gerathy**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Dennis Gerathy will retire from the district on June 30, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dennis Gerathy has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Stevenson High School, Churchill High School and Frankin High School as a teacher and assistant principal; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Dennis Gerathy on his years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for his retirement.

**Colleen Hutchinson**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Colleen Hutchinson will retire from the district on June 8, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Colleen Hutchinson has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Hayes Elementary and Grant Elementary as an elementary teacher; and

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Colleen Hutchinson on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Jennifer Knoph**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Jennifer Knoph will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer Knoph has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Stevenson High School as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Jennifer Knoph on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Katherine Mikkelsen**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Katherine Mikkelsen will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Katherine Mikkelsen has devoted 29 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Stevenson High School as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Katherine Mikkelsen on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Matthew Otto**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Matthew Otto will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Matthew Otto has devoted 30.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Churchill High School as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Matthew Otto on his years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for his retirement.

**Michele Richmond**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Michele Richmond will retire from the district on June 4, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Michele Richmond has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Roosevelt Elementary and Coolidge Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Michele Richmond on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Leah Smith**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Leah Smith will retire from the district on June 30, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Leah Smith has devoted 30 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Randolph Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Leah Smith on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

### **Barbara Spencer**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Barbara Spencer will retire from the district on March 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Barbara Spencer has devoted 21 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a special education paraprofessional at Tyler Elementary, Cass Elementary, Coolidge Elementary, Churchill High School and the Western Wayne Skill Center; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has given conscientious, careful, and loyal service to the students, staff, and community during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby express its deep appreciation to Barbara Spencer for her countless contributions to our school system and extends best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding retirement.

### **Michele Tanderys**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Michele Tanderys will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Michele Tanderys has devoted 32.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Garfield Elementary, Randolph Elementary and Riley Upper Elementary as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, She has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during her tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Michele Tanderys on her years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for her retirement.

**Robert Upton**

**WHEREAS**, It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District that Robert Upton will retire from the district on June 5, 2026; and,

**WHEREAS**, Robert Upton has devoted 34 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Churchill High School as a teacher; and,

**WHEREAS**, He has made many contributions to the educational profession and has touched the lives of countless students during his tenure with the Livonia Public Schools;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education does hereby congratulate Robert Upton on his years of service to the educational profession and expresses publicly its sincere appreciation and offers its best wishes for his retirement.