



East Lansing Board of Education

509 Burcham Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823

Regular Meeting
April 14, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Board Room
509 Burcham Drive
East Lansing, Michigan 48823



Agenda

I. Opening of Meeting

A. *Call to Order*

B. *Roll Call*

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

D. *Approval of Agenda*

Motion: I move to approve the agenda of the April 14, 2025, regular meeting, as presented.

E. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion: I move to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2025, regular meeting, as presented.

1. March 10, 2025, regular meeting

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I. Opening of Meeting

I.A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Chris Martin at 7:03 pm.

I.B. Roll Call

Dr. Terah Chambers:	Present
Dr. Kath Edsall:	Absent
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 Trustee Terah Chambers.

I.D. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 24-25/086: I move to approve the March 10, 2025, regular meeting agenda, as presented.

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

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I.E. Approval of Minutes

Motion: 24-25/087: I move to approve the minutes from the following meeting as presented.

I.E.1. February 24, 2025, regular meeting

This motion, made by Ms. Abbie Tykocki and seconded by Dr. Estrella Torrez, Passed.

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

II. Recognition

- Congratulation to the seventh-grade girls' basketball A team on their undefeated season.
- Dori and Glenn attended the National Superintendents' Conference (AASA) in New Orleans. Glenn was part of a panel with the MSAN Director and MSAN district leaders as a part of a breakout session.

III. Student Representative Report

Student representative Holyn Walsh reported:

- Spring sports have begun;
- Boys' basketball will play in the quarter finals on Tuesday; semi-finals will be Friday and finals on Saturday at Breslin;
- Model UN attended the Mid-American Model United Nations conference in Grand Rapids; the team won *Highest Honors Best Prepared School* award; along with several individual award winners;
- The Spring musical *Once Upon a Mattress* begins this week;
- Yearbook is finalized and ready for printing.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Click [here](#) for the Superintendent's Report

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.

No Public Comment

VI. Board Discussion

No Board Discussion

VII. Action Items

VII.A. Pilot Sexual Health Curriculum Grades 7-12

Motion: 24-25/088: I move the Board of Education approve the new pilot Sexual Health Curriculum Grades 7-12, as presented.

This motion, made by Ms. Tali Faris-Hylen and seconded by Ms. Abbie Tykocki, Passed.

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Anne Scott, Sex Education Advisory Board Supervisor answered questions

VII.B. New Course Proposal

Motion: 24-25/089: I move the Board of Education approve the new high school course "Video Game Design" as presented.

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

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

ELHS Computer Science teachers Kevin Mayes and Orion Smith answered questions

VII.C. Fiber Installation Project

Motion: 24-25/090: I move the Board of Education approve the contract with Fiberlink to upgrade the aerial fiber optic cable network for the amount of \$65,144.80.

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

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VII.D. Award Bids for Safety, Security, and Accessibility Bond Bid Package #1 New Administration Building

Motion: 24-25/091: I move the Board of Education award the following bids related to the New Administration Building as follows:

Category 04: Masonry- Schiffer Mason Contractors, Inc.	\$ 97,900
Category 05: Structural Steel- Custom Steel Fabricators, LLC	\$ 55,230
Category 06: Metal Studs & Drywall- Christman Constructors, Inc.	\$ 849,709
Category 07: General Trades- Moore Trospen Construction Company	\$ 444,500
Category 08: Roofing Systems- Roofing Innovations, LLC	\$ 138,455
Category 09: Alum., Glass & Glazing- Vos Glass	\$ 119,000
Category 10: Composite Siding- Weatherwise/Rycam	\$ 128,850
Category 11: Flooring Systems- William Reichenbach Company	\$ 78,210
Category 12: Painting and Wall Covering- B & J Painting, Inc.	\$ 24,490
Category 16: Asphalt Paving- Leavitt & Starck Excavating, Inc.	\$ 41,800

Category 17: Commissioning- Pro-MEC Engineering Services	\$ 13,275
Category 18: Material Quality Testing & Inspections- PSI - Intertek	\$ 14,975
Construction General Conditions 3%- Clark Construction	\$ 60,192
Total	\$2,066,586

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

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII. Closed Session

Motion: 24-25/092: I move the Board of Education enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act to consider security planning to address the safety of the students and staff.

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

Roll Call Vote

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

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Returned to Open Session at 8:03 pm

IX. Committee Reports

IX.A. Academic and Technology Committee

No meeting

IX.B. Facilities Committee

No meeting

IX.C. Finance Committee

No meeting

IX.D. Intergovernmental Relations

Held a meeting on February 27 and discussed:

- Committee goals
- Priorities for 2025-26
- Setting potential meeting with East Lansing City Council

IX.E. Personnel Committee

No meeting but will be scheduling a meeting next week

IX.F. Policy Committee
No meeting

IX.G. Ingham School Officers Association (ISOA) – Ms. Abbie Tykocki
Brad Banasik, MASB legal counsel was present

Discussed:

- Ingham ISD elections
- School Board committees
- Open Meetings Act
- Title IX
- Executive Orders
- Labor Day waiver

X. Announcements

X.A. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education is April 14, 2025.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

President

Secretary

II. Recognition

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IV. Superintendent's Report

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.

VI. Board Discussion

A. Middle School Athletics

VII. Action Items

A. Schools of Choice Resolution 2025-2026

Motion: I move the Board of Education adopt the Schools of Choice resolution for the 2025-26 school year, as presented.

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SCHOOLS OF CHOICE 2025-2026

**RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY
THE EAST LANSING BOARD OF EDUCATION**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education (Board) of the District was held in the Board Room in the District at 509 Burcham Dr, East Lansing, Michigan on the 14th day of April at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was called to order by _____.

Present:

Absent:

The following resolution was offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Education of the School District of the City of East Lansing, exercising the option permitted by Section 105 and Section 105c of the State Aid Act, will accept applications of nonresident students residing within the intermediate school district in which this district is a constituent district as well as in a contiguous intermediate school district for the 2025-2026 school year and will operate a Schools of Choice program in our district in compliance with the statutory requirements of Sections 105 and 105c.

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

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain with conflict:

Motion declared _____.

Tali Faris-Hylen
Secretary of the Board of Education

VIII. **Committee Reports**

- A. Academic and Technology Committee
- B. Facilities Committee
- C. Finance Committee
- D. Intergovernmental Relations
- E. Personnel Committee
- F. Policy Committee
- G. Ingham School Officers Association (ISOA)

IX. **Announcements**

- A. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education is April 28, 2025.

X. **Adjournment**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Dori Leyko
Superintendent*