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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 22, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Kenowa Hills Administration Building
2325 4 Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids MI 49544

I. Routine and Organizational Business

CALL TO ORDER

A. President LaBotz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, 2325 4 Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids, MI, 49544.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

B. President LaBotz opened the meeting with a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

D. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, and Robinson are present. Superintendent Hopkins and Directors Long and Horner are also present. Members Roberts and Turner are absent.

APPROVE AGENDA

E. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the agenda. **Motion carries 5-0.**

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	Y			Hart	Y			Roberts				Turner			
Gustinis	Y			LaBotz	Y			Robinson	Y						

II. Recognition and Correspondence

RECOGNITION

A. Recognition

1. Superintendent Hopkins and Athletic Director Willick recognized the varsity baseball team and coaches for their record setting season that culminated as MHSAA Division II Finalists.
2. Director Horner recognized Joshua Hopkins, for achieving mechanic certification in 4 categories within 3 weeks of the Lead Mechanic's resignation.
3. Superintendent Hopkins acknowledged with appreciation the organizations that made donations to the District for the Administrative Cabinet retreat.

CORRESPONDENCE

B. Correspondence - none

BOARD COMMUNICATION

C. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated.

III. Discussion/Information Items

FINANCE

A. Finance Report

1. Condensed Fund Statement
2. FY 2025-26 Final Budget Amendment

IV. Public Comment: **No** audience members addressed the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. There will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Audience members who wish to make comments are invited to complete the appropriate form located at the entrance. Each speaker has a maximum of three (3) minutes to address the board. Inquiries requiring a response will be referred to the superintendent in the cases where contact information is provided. We ask all individuals making public comments to follow our board policy.

V. Action Items

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the Consent Agenda. **Motion carries 5-0. *Member Hart requests that the HIgh School enrollment number be verified.**

1. June 8, 2026 Budget Hearing Minutes
2. June 8, 2026 Committee of the Whole Workshop Minutes
3. Certified Staff Personnel Report

Retirements

Stephanie Gerdes, 4th Grade Teacher, Central Elementary (effective June 30, 2026)

4. MHSAA Gymnastics Cooperative Agreement Renewal

B. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Final Budget Amendment. **Action Report 26-042. Motion carries 5-0.**

FY 2026 FINAL BUDGET AMENDMENT REPORT #26-042

C. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to renew the marketing contract for fiscal year 2027 with Galapagos Marketing of Grand Rapids, Michigan, totaling $94,500. Trustee Roberts abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. **Report #26-043. Motion carries 5-0.**

MARKETING CONTRACT REPORT #26-043

D. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the proposed original budget for the 2026-27 Fiscal Year. **Report #26-044. Motion carries 5-0.**

FY 2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET REPORT #26-044

E. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the purchase of wrestling mats in the amount of $40,968 from Gopher Sports under the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program using 2020 Series III Bond funds. **Report #26-045. Motion carries 5-0.**

WRESTLING MAT PURCHASE REPORT #26-045

F. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the replacement of the District's Wireless Network using $277,310.50 in combined 2020 Series III Bond funds and federal E-Rate contingent upon USAC approval. **Report #26-046. Motion carries 5-0.**

WIRELESS NETWORK REPLACEMNT REPORT #26-046

G. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to approve the revisions to the Facilities Use Guidelines and Pricing as presented in **Report #26-047. Motion carries 5-0.**

USE OF DISTRICT FACILITIES GUIDELINE ND PRICING REPORT #26-047

H. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Robinson to call a November 3, 2026 Operating Millage Renewal Election. **Report #26-048. Motion carries 5-0.**

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR ELECTION -

VI. Future Items for Consideration

A. Future Meetings

FUTURE MEETINGS

1. 8/10/2026 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole Workshop - Administration Building
2. 8/24/2026 6:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Administration Building
3. 9/14/2026 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole Workshop - Administration Building
4. 9/28/2026 6:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Zinser Elementary

B. Go Around

GO AROUND

VII. Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President LaBotz adjourned the meeting at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Secretary