

# HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Meeting

## MINUTES

November 18, 2024 6:00 p.m.

Sycamore Elementary School

### 1. Call to order and roll

a. Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Jessica Johnston

b. Roll Call -                      Members present:              Roger Holtz, Karen Ryan, Traci Rhoades,  
Stephanie Wilson, Ian Gibson, Jessica Johnston

Members absent:              Andrea Buist

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Approval of “Consent Agenda” Items: Inclusive motion to approve the following: (Please note: Any Board Member may request removal of any item(s) from the “Consent Agenda” and that said item(s) stand alone as an action item(s).

- a. Agenda
- b. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 21, 2024
- c. Personnel Report - Report# 24-020
- d. Authorization for payment of bills in the amount of \$158,150.32
- e. 2nd Reading of the Clark Hill Policies and Guidelines

Motion made by Holtz, supported by Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda Items

Voice Vote:              Motion Carried

### 4. Communications

- a. Memorial Thank you

### 5. Citizen’s Comments

The purpose of this Board of Education meeting, which is held in public, is to conduct the business of the Board and is not to be considered a public community meeting. Members of the audience who wish to make comments are asked to first state their name and address and to limit any comments to a maximum of five minutes. The Board will listen, take comments and questions under advisement, and not respond at this time. The presiding officer will refer questions to the superintendent for research and response. For a copy of Bylaw 0167.3 – Public Participation at Board meetings, please see the Superintendent of Schools.

- Sheila Lenhart - Thank you Ian Gibson, candidate concern

### 6. Informational Items:

- a. Student Council Report
- b. Superintendent’s Report
- c. Administrator(s) Reports
- d. Committee Reports

### 7. Action Items

- a. Motion made by Gibson, supported by Wilson to approve the Student Organization Grants in the amount of \$7,879.00

Voice Vote:              Motion Carried

- b. Motion made by Rhoades, supported by Holtz to approve the Speech-Language Therapy Service Contract with Duncan Lake Speech Therapy, LLC  
Voice Vote: Motion Carried
- c. Motion made by Ryan, supported by Wilson to approve the adoption of the Clark Hill Policies and Guidelines  
Roll Call Vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain		Yes	No	Abstain
Buist				Rhoades	X		
Gibson	X			Ryan	X		
Holtz	X			Wilson	X		
Johnston	X						

Yes, 6; No, 0 Motion Carried

- d. Motion made by Holtz, supported by Gibson to approve the HHS First Robotics Overnight Trips
- Districts: March 8, 2025-March 9, 2024 St. Joseph, MI
  - State Championship: April 5, 2025-April 6, 2025 Saginaw Valley State University
  - World Championship: April 16, 2025-April 21, 2025 Houston, TX
- Voice Vote: Motion Carried
- e. Motion made by Rhoades, supported by Ryan to approve the adoption of Section 127 Plan in accordance with IRS guidelines to provide educational assistance to employees.  
Voice Vote: Motion Carried
- f. Motion made by Wilson, supported by Gibson to approve going into closed session to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation pursuant to to Section 9(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act at 6:19 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion Carried
- g. Motion made by Holtz, supported by Ryan to approve returning to open session at 6:45p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion Carried

## 8. Future Items for Consideration

- a. Other matters which may properly come before the Board
- b. Future Meeting Dates at 6pm at Hopkins Elementary
- December 16, 2024 Regular Meeting
  - January 20, 2025 Regular/Organizational Meeting

## 9. Adjournment

Motion made by Rhoades, supported by Holtz to approve adjourning the meeting at 7:20 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion Carried