

HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Meeting

March 16, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

Sycamore Elementary School

1. Call to order and roll

a. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Stephanie Wilson

b. Roll Call – Members present: Ian Gibson, Traci Rhoades, Stephanie Wilson,
Jessica Johnston, Karen Ryan, Josh Lanser,
Andrea Buist

Members absent: None

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 February 16, 2026

c. Personnel Report

Report #26-010

d. Authorization for payment of bills in the amount of \$223,258.67

Moved by Ryan, supported by Rhoades, to approve the Consent Agenda Items

Voice Vote: Motion carried

4. Hearings & Correspondence

a. BOE Grant Thank You - Heather Ruthruff

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 Article 1, Section 10H – Public Participation at Board Meetings, please see the Superintendent of Schools.

- Jessica King - ESGI/Lack of Communication - Decrease in support staff/Parapros lacking/Burning out.

6. Information/Discussion Item

- Student Council Report
- Superintendent’s Report
- Administrator Reports
- Committee Reports

7. Action Items

- a. Motion by Johnston, supported by Buist, to approve the Purchase of a Food Service Walk-In Cooler/Freezer from Keyes for \$61,662.90-\$65,375.19, depending on final state refrigeration laws.

	Y	N	A*		Y	N	A*
Buist	X			Rhoades	X		
Gibson	X			Ryan	X		
Johnston	X			Wilson	X		
Lanser	X						

**A = Abstain*

Roll Call Vote: Yes, 7; No, 0 Motion carried

- b. Motion made by Gibson, supported by Lanser to approve the Student Organization Grants in the amount of \$6,200.00
Voice Vote: Motion carried

8. Future Items for Consideration

- a. Other matters which may properly come before the Board
- b. Future Meeting/Important Dates
 - April 20, 2026 Regular Meeting
 - May 4, 2026 Worksession Meeting
 - May 18, 2026 Regular Meeting

9. Adjournment

Moved by Ryan, supported by Rhoades, to approve adjourning the meeting at 6:38 p.m.
Voice Vote: Motion carried