

**PUBLIC 2024-2025 DISTRICT BUDGET HEARING**

**JUNE 23, 2025 @ 5:45 PM**

Hopkins Elementary School

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**HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Board of Education

Meeting MINUTES

June 23, 2025 6:00 p.m.

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**1. Call to order and roll**

a. Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by President Andrea Buist.

b. Roll Call –                      Members present:      Andrea Buist, Stephanie Wilson, Karen Ryan,  
Ian Gibson, Jessica Johnston, Roger Holtz

Members absent:              Traci Rhoades

**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 May 19, 2025
- c. Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting on May 19, 2025
- d. Personnel Report Report #25-013
- e. Authorization for payment of bills in the amount of \$656,480.41

Moved by Johnston, seconded by Wilson to approve the Consent Agenda Items

Voice Vote: Motion carried

**4. Recognition & Correspondence**

- a. Recognition of Retirees
- b. Off-Road Vehicles - Jonathon VanderWall - Tabled
- c. BOE Grant Updates/Thank You's
- d. 23g Grant “Mi Kids Back on Track” - Karmin Bourdo

**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.

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## 6. Informational Items:

- a. Superintendent's Report
- b. Bullying/Harassment Data – Presented Video by Mr. Stockwell
- c. Administrator Reports

## 7. Action Items

- a. Moved by Gibson, supported by Ryan, to approve the MHSAA 2025-2026 Membership Resolution  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- b. Moved by Johnston, supported by Gibson, to approve the Hopkins Middle School Attendance Policy Changes  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- c. Moved by Wilson, supported by Ryan, to approve the Amended Budget for 2024-2025  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- d. Moved by Holtz, supported by Gibson, to approve the Proposed 2025-2026 budget as presented at the budget hearing.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- e. Motion made by Johnston, supported by Wilson, to approve going into closed session to discuss Negotiations pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act at 6:41 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- f. Motion made by Wilson, supported by Johnston, to approve returning to open session at 7:52 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- g. Motion made by Ryan, supported by Wilson, to approve going into closed session to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act at 8:02 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- h. Motion made by Johnston, supported by Gibson, to approve returning to open session at 8:04 p.m.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- i. Motion made by Wilson, supported by Ryan, to approve the evaluation of Superintendent VanBonn with the following summary statement: *"The board has given Scott the rating of effective. Scott's leadership has made a meaningful impact across our district. With a clear sense of purpose and genuine pride in our schools, he has built strong relationships with staff, students, families, board members, and the community. His collaborative spirit and thoughtful approach have helped guide our district in a positive direction. We are proud to have him at the helm and look forward to what we will accomplish together."*  
Voice Vote: Motion carried

## **8. Future Items for Consideration**

- a. Other matters which may properly come before the Board
- b. Future Meeting Dates:
  - July 21, 2025 Regular/Organizational Meeting
  - August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting
  - September 15, 2025 Regular Meeting
  - October 20, 2025 Regular Meeting
  - November 17, 2025 Regular Meeting @ Sycamore Elementary School
  - December 15, 2025 Regular Meeting
  - January 19, 2026 Regular/Organizational Meeting

## **9. Adjournment**

Moved by Holtz, supported by Johnston to approve adjourning the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

Voice Vote: Motion carried