

HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Meeting MINUTES

July 21, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Hopkins Elementary School

1. Call to order and roll

a. Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Andrea Buist.

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

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 June 23, 2025
- c. Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting A on June 23, 2025
- d. Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting B on June 23, 2025
- e. Personnel Report Report #25-014
- f. Authorization for payment of bills in the amount of \$343,215.17

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

Voice Vote: Motion carried

4. Recognition & Correspondence

a. Recognition of Visitors

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 first to 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

7. Action Items

- a. Moved by Rhoades, supported by Ryan, to approve the Master Agreement between HPS and Hopkins Bus Drivers Association, July 1, 2025-June 30, 2028
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- b. Moved by Holtz, supported by Gibson, to approve the Agreement with Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- c. Moved by Johnston, supported by Rhoades, to approve the General Fund Millage levy for 18 mills, the Debt Retirement levy for 10.34 mills, and the Sinking Fund levy for 1.5323 mills for the 2025-2026 school year. Report #25-015
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- d. Moved by Johnston, supported by Wilson, to approve the 2025/2026 Student Handbooks/Course Catalogs
 - Hopkins High School Student/Parent Handbook 2025-2026
 - Hopkins Middle School Student Handbook and Course Catalog
 - Hopkins High School Virtual Academy Course Catalog 2025-2026
 - Hopkins/Sycamore Elementary Student Handbook 2025-2026Voice Vote: Motion carried
- e. Moved by Ryan, supported by Gibson, to approve the St. Stanislaus Resolution to Form and Support a Cooperative Program for Middle School Athletics
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- f. Motion made by Johnston, supported by Holtz, to approve going into closed session to discuss Negotiations pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act at 6:44 p.m.
Voice Vote: Motion carried
- g. Motion made by Gibson, supported by Ryan, to approve returning to open session at 7:14 p.m.
Voice Vote: Motion carried

8. Future Items for Consideration

- a. Other matters which may properly come before the Board
- b. Future Meeting Dates:
 - 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 Johnston, supported by Gibson, to approve adjourning meeting at 7:29 p.m.
Voice Vote: Motion carried