

Minutes

361.25 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – May

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Cox.

362.25 ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE – Hines

Board members present: LeWanna Abney-Mitchell, Andrew Ambrus, David Cox, Melandie Hines, Kimberly May, Shannon Rochon, Frederick Weaver, Th.D.

363.25 ADJOURNMENT TO A CLOSED SESSION – May

NOTE: There may or may not be action taken by the Board following the closed session

Resolved, that the Board of Education will adjourn to a closed session at 6:34 p.m. pursuant to 8(h)...[to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute...] according to the Open Meetings Act. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

364.25 ADJOURNMENT TO AN OPEN MEETING – May

Resolved, that the Board of Education adjourn to an open meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

365.25 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – May

M. Sample shared that she is opposing the hiring of the new Interim Superintendent and her concern of the lack of transparency. Additionally, she shared her support of Jennifer Curry for that role.

366.25 CONSENT AGENDA

I. MINUTES

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 19, 2025
- b. Closed Session Minutes – May 19, 2025 [under separate cover]
- c. Special Board Meeting Minutes – June 5, 2025
- d. Closed Session Minutes – June 5, 2025 [under separate cover]

II. HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

- a. Resignations/Terminations: Administrative, Instructional, Non-Instructional and/or Non-Affiliated Personnel
- b. Placements: Administrative, Instructional, Non-Instructional and/or Non-Affiliated Personnel
- c. Leave of Absence: Administrative, Instruction, Non-Instruction and/or Non-Affiliated Personnel
- d. Layoffs: Administrative, Instruction, Non-Instruction and/or Non-Affiliated Personnel

III. BUSINESS & FINANCE ITEMS

- a. Payment of Invoices [under separate cover]
- b. Investment Report [under separate cover]
- c. Cooperative Education Program Agreement – (Note: The agreements for the districts listed below are all the same except for changes in the school district name and authorized representative.) William D. Ford Career-Technical Center
 - 1. Van Buren School District
 - 2. Livonia School District
 - 3. Canton Preparatory
 - 4. Redford Union School District

IV. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT

- a. Field Trips
 - i. John Glenn High School - Boy's Track & Field State Tournament – [under separate cover]

- ii. William D. Ford Career Technical Center - SPE Thermoforming Conference– [under separate cover]
- iii. William D. Ford Career Technical Center - National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards – [under separate cover]
- iv. William D. Ford Career Technical Center – National Leadership & Skills Conference [under separate cover]

Resolved, that the board approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

367.25 APPOINTMENT OF CATHERINE COST AS INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT – May

Resolved, that the board approve the Appointment of Catherine Cost as Interim Superintendent pursuant to the terms of proposed Interim Superintendent Contract as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

Dr. Cost shared her thanks and is humble to serve our students. She praised Ms. Curry for all the great things she did during her time as Interim Superintendent and is looking forward to working with her as a colleague.

368.25 RETURN OF JEN CURRY TO ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT ROLE – May

Resolved, that the board authorize the Board President or delegee to issue written notice to Ms. Curry to conclude the Supplemental Contract of Employment as Interim Superintendent, as required by Section 6 of the Supplemental Contract, and return Ms. Curry to her position as Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

369.25 BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT – May

I. Student Achievement Committee Report – Rochon

Mr. Rochon shared a summary from the June Student Achievement Committee meeting.

Board members were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments.

370.25 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BUSINESS SERVICE, FINANCE & FACILITIES

I. Recommendation to approve Middle School Science Pilot Resource Purchase - Clair

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item I. as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by M. Hines.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

II. Recommendation to approve Middle School ELA Resource Purchase - Clair

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item II. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

III. Recommendation to approve Elementary Math Curriculum Purchase– Clair

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item III. as presented. Motion by M. Hines, support by F. Weaver.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

IV. Recommendation to approve Elementary Studies Weekly Renewal – Clair

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item IV. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by A. Ambrus.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

V. Recommendation to approve Mosyle Manager Renewal – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item V. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by M. Hines.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

VI. Recommendation to approve Incident IQ, Integrated Asset Management, and Help Desk System Renewal – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item VI. as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

VII. Recommendation to approve Informed K-12 Online Form System Renewal – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item VII. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by F. Weaver.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

VIII. Recommendation to approve Fortinet Cybersecurity Licensing Software Renewal – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item VIII. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by K. May.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

IX. Recommendation to approve Mitel Support Renewal – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item IX. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by M. Hines.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

The Board approved the contract with the revised ending year of 2026.

X. Recommendation to approve Food Service Contract Renewal – Clair

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item X. as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

XI. Recommendation to Approve the Notice of Withdrawal from MAISL Joint Risk Management Trust

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item XI. as presented. Motion by M. Hines, support by F. Weaver.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

XII. Recommendation to Approve the 2025-2026 Tax Levy – Resolutions (L-4029)

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item XII. and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by F. Weaver.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

XIII. Recommendation to Approve Resolution Approving Application for the Preliminary Qualifications of Bonds.

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item XIII. and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

XIV. Recommendation to Adopt the 2024-2025 General Fund Operating Budget
Final Amendment Resolution

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item XIV. and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

XV. Recommendation to Adopt the 2025-2026 General Fund Operating Budget
Resolution

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item XV. and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution as presented. Motion by M. Hines, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

371.25 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

I. Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) – Membership
Resolution - Tocco

Resolved, that the board approve Administrative Services Item I. as presented and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

372.25 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

I. Discipline Alignment Policy 2006 – Behavior [under separate cover]– Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Policy and Administrative Regulations Item I. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 0
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION AMENDED

MOTION Resolved, that the board approve Policy and Administrative Regulations Item I. amended to remove the Cell Phone Policy and approve remaining policy as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

II. Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy [under separate cover] – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Policy and Administrative Regulations Item II as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

III. Recommended Policy and Administrative Regulations as recommended by Legal Firm [under separate cover] – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Policy and Administrative Regulations Item III. as presented. Motion by M. Hines, support by F. Weaver.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

373.25 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

I. WWESA (Wayne-Westland Educational Secretaries Association) Contract Agreement (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028) – [under separate cover] – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve Human Resource Item I. as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by D. Cox.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

II. BOSS (Brotherhood of Specialized Skills) Contract Agreement (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028) – [under separate cover] – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve the Human Resource Item II. as presented. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

III. 2025-2026 STAFF RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION DAYS – Ofili

Resolved, that the board approve the Human Resource Item III. as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by M. Hines.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

374.25 Recommendation to change the July Board of Education meeting date – May

Resolved, that the board approve to move the July Board of Education meeting date from July 21, 2025 to July 28, 2025. Motion by L. Abney-Mitchell, support by K. May.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

375.25 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS (GENERAL) – May

M. Harris: Thanked several board and district employees for their support and empathy. She also thanked Wildwood for a successful field day and picnic. Additionally, she voiced concern regarding the District Student Handbook.

376.25 INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS – Curry

There were no Interim Superintendent Comments.

377.25 REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – May

L. Abney Mitchell shared the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for coming out tonight.
- June is Gun Violence Month; the district has free gun locks available.
- She hopes everyone enjoys their summer.

F. Weaver shared the following comments:

- Welcomed Dr. Cost and shared that he is looking forward to working with her.

M. Hines shared the following comments:

- Congratulated Dr. Cost on her new role.

- Congratulated the students for a job well done this year.
- She also shared upcoming community events.

G. Ambrus shared the following comments:

- Welcomed Dr. Cost to the district.
- He hopes everyone enjoys their summer and takes the time to relax and recharge.
- He is proud of the great school year we have had.

D. Cox shared the following comments:

- Thanked the teachers for their support of the students this year.
- He understands the frustration and anxiety of fellow board members and the community. The board members are all dedicated and want community involvement in the selection of the new Superintendent. By having Dr. Cost in this position, it gives the board the opportunity to do that. He requested the community to not focus on the past but to look towards the future.
- Thanked everyone who worked on the contracts for the district.
- Shared that the bond was coming to an end and all the work was completed without issue.

S. Rochon shared the following comments:

- There were no comments.

K. May shared the following comments:

- Thanked Ms. Curry, her team and the staff for a phenomenal school year and hopes everyone enjoys their summer.
- She welcomed Dr. Cost and is looking forward to working with her.
- She appreciated the words of Mr. Cox and shared that there will be communication coming out surrounding a Superintendent Search and what it will entail. She will also share communication regarding Dr. Cost.

378.25 FOLLOW UP TO BOARD OF EDUCATION QUESTIONS – May

There was no follow up.

379.25 ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that the board adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion by D. Cox, support by A. Ambrus.

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

MOTION PASSED

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Melandie Hines", written in black ink.

Melandie Hines
Board of Education Secretary
Wayne-Westland Community Schools