Saturday, September 20, 2025 9:00 a.m. 36745 Marquette St, Westland, MI 48185

Minutes

128.26 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – May

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ambrus.

129.26 ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE - Hines

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

130.26 RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – May

I. Strategic Plan Presentation – Schulz

Dr. Cost shared the importance of the District's Strategic Plan and discussed how the plan guide us.

Ms. Schulz shared a presentation regarding the District's Strategic Plan.

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

131.26 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS— May

There were no citizen comments.

132.26 INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS – Cost

Dr. Cost shared the following comments:

- Thanked Board members for attending, the dialogue and insights will help continue moving the District forward.
- Thanked Ms. Schulz for the great presentation and Mr. Applebee for being here to record the meeting.

133.26 REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – May

Dr. Weaver shared the following comments:

- Thanked Ms. Schulz for the presentation and to fellow Board members for the thoughtful conversation.
- He would like to see a dedicated space for the WWIA students.

Mr. Rochon shared the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for being here and Ms. Schulz for the informative plan.
- Wanted to ensure that the plan is not just a document; we need to ensure that families and students see the implementation and the work coming to fruition.

Mr. Ambrus shared the following comments:

Thanked Ms. Schulz for the presentation that is focused on data. The key is
in the implementation and follow up for the administrators and the Board to
see the improvement in student performance.

Ms. Abney-Mitchell shared the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for coming and for their input. It was great to have the Board working together for student success and family engagement.
- She is looking forward to being on the Board when the school District comes first and the business of the District comes second.

Ms. Hines shared the following comments:

- Thanked Ms. Schulz for the amazing presentation.
- Congratulated Dr. Jefferson for coming on Board and hitting the ground immediately.
- She shared that WWIA is an amazing resource.
- She also shared upcoming community events.

Mr. Cox shared the following comments:

- Our teachers are dedicated and they need to know what they do is meaningful and that they are being successful.
- Need to ensure that the opportunity to go to WWIA is recognized and that the comprehensive high school is not working for all students. We want to give the best option for students to excel.
- Executive Leadership has done a remarkable job in this District with everything that they have been through.

Ms. May shared the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for coming this morning, thanked Ms. Schulz for the presentation and the space for the Board to learn.
- She appreciates fellow Board members for coming on the weekend to discuss this important work.
- Thanked Dr. Cost for taking the lead on moving this forward.
- Board workshops allow for dialogue and the ability to learn from each other to find they are in alignment with each other.

 She emphasized having student voice; we need to talk to students and find out what they need so we are not just doing to them. Remember all of our students are all our children no matter what they are going through.

134.26 FOLLOW UP TO BOARD OF EDUCATION QUESTIONS – May

There were no follow up questions.

135.26 ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that the Board adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m. Motion by D. Cox, support by L. Abney-Mitchell.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

MOTION PASSED

Melandie Hines

Board of Education Secretary

Wayne-Westland Community Schools