



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES
MAY 1, 2023**

PLACE OF MEETING: Douglas Elementary Upper El Commons
261 Randolph Street
Douglas, MI 49406

TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 pm

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Tim Travis, Superintendent, Kim Sharda, Executive Assistant,

1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Bernie Merkle, Marcy Weston, Eric Birkholz, Nathan Lowery,
Laura Zangara, Nicole Lewis, Frank Marro III

ABSENT:

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – there were none

4. ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - there were none

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION

a. Legislation Update – Trustee Weston updated the board on what is happening in Lansing and how it impacts schools.

b. Board Communication – Secretary Lewis shared there were no communications directed to the board of education.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. SPS 5-Year Strategic Plan Draft – The board reviewed and made suggested revisions to a revised draft of a 5-Year Strategic Plan. The strategic plan was informed by multiple focus group meetings involving over 135 faculty and staff members, parents, students, community members and members of the board of education and results of a survey of parents, students, and community members. Altogether, 362 survey responses were gathered.

- b. Teacher Appreciation Week – Teaching is a work of heart. At Saugatuck Public Schools we love our teachers, and thank them for being charismatic adults who impact the lives of our students through caring relationships, engaging learning experiences, steadfast support and a growth mindset that believes all things are possible. We appreciate the extra time, effort, patience and persistence that our teachers give to make a difference in the lives of our students. Please reach out and thank an SPS teacher during National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 8th through 12th.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – there were none

8. UPCOMING DATES

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| May 3 | Collage Concert | 7:00 pm |
| May 4 | Senior Scholar Night | 6:00 pm |
| May 15 | Regular BOE Meeting | |
| May 16 | DES Spring Music Performance | 6:00 pm |
| May 25 | Graduation | |
| May 29 | Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL | |
| June 5 | BOE Workshop Meeting | |
| June 7 | 5 th Grade Graduation | |
| June 9 | Last Day of School – HALF DAY | |
| June 19 | Regular BOE Meeting | |
| July 17 | Regular BOE Meeting | |

9. ADJOURN - there being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary, Nicole Lewis