



SAUGATUCK
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2025

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in the public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

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

TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 pm

PUBLIC HEARING

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Mary Ihle, Nicole Lewis, Amanda Frank,
Eric Birkholz, Jay Woods, Lisa Greenwood

ABSENT: Frank Marro III

2. PUBLIC HEARING – The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed 2025 - 2026 school year budget will be the subject of the hearing.

3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

1 MINUTE RECESS BEFORE BOARD MEETING

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

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mary Ihle, Nicole Lewis, Amanda Frank,
Eric Birkholz, Jay Woods, Lisa Greenwood

ABSENT: Frank Marro III

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – there were NONE

4. ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA – there were none

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. Consent Items

- i. Minutes from May 19, Regular Meeting
- ii. Minutes from the May 19, Closed Session
- iii. Minutes from June 2, 2025 Workshop Meeting
- iv. Minutes from the June 2, 2025 Closed Session
- v. Agenda for June 16, 2025 Regular Meeting

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Mary Ihle to approve the consent items as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. 2024-2025 Budget Amendments – A preliminary overview of the final 2024-2025 General Fund, Food Service Fund, Student/School Activity Fund, and Community Recreation Fund were presented at the June 2, 2025 workshop meeting.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Eric Birkholz to approve the final 2024-2025 General Fund, Food Service, Student Activity Fund, and Community Recreation Fund budgets as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion passed unanimously.

- c. 2025-2026 Budget Proposals and Tax Levies - A preliminary overview of the proposed 2025-2026 Tax Levies, General Fund, Food Service Fund, Student/School Activity Fund, and Community Recreation Fund budget were presented at the June 2, 2025 workshop meeting.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Mary Ihle to approve the 2025-2026 Budget Proposals and Tax Levies as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion carried unanimously.

- d. Technology Purchase Proposal – At the June 2, 2025 Workshop Meeting, Technology Director Rex Thelen presented a request for the purchase of student Chromebooks and iPads.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Mary Ihle to approve the purchase of student Chromebooks and iPads in the not to exceed amount of \$177, 818.00 as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion carried unanimously.

- e. 2025-2026 MHSAA Membership Renewal – Each year the district must sign off on the MHSAA membership. Membership is a condition for participation in any MHSAA postseason tournament.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Eric Birkholz to approve the 2025-2026 MHSAA Membership renewal as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- f. New Course Offerings – at the May 19 Regular Meeting, Principal Michaelle Gust presented Bookworms Curriculum for Board consideration.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Mary Ihle to approve the Bookworms Curriculum as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion carried unanimously.

- g. SEA Collective Bargaining Agreement – at the June 2 Workshop Meeting, details of the agreement between the Saugatuck Education Foundation and the Board of Education were reviewed.

It was moved by Amanda Frank with support from Eric Birkholz to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the SEA and the Board of Education for the years 2025-2028 as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion carried unanimously.

6. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Trustee James Woods updated the Board.

7. BOARD UPDATE – President Lewis communicated the importance of having each individual's calendar for the next meeting to set the 2025-2026 BOE calendar.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Introduction of Middle & High School Principal – Superintendent Neidlinger introduced Brad Lundvick and family.
- b. General Updates – Superintendent Neidlinger provided the Board with a general update of district happenings.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT – there were none

10. UPCOMING DATES


July 14

BOE Regular/Org Meeting

6:00 pm

11. ADJOURN – there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary, Mary Ihle