

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DIMONDALE AND HOLT, MICHIGAN

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 5780 WEST HOLT ROAD, HOLT

Monday, June 9, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

Present – Amy Dalton, Jennifer Robel, Jessie Jones, Mark Perry, Matea Caluk, Robert Halgren, Kevin Leonard, David Hornak

(Note: the building experienced a power outage prior to the start of the Committee of the Whole meeting, and we remained without power until later into the regular meeting.)

Central Office Staff Present – Jessica Cotter, Mike Dunckel, Melissa Stuard, Christine Lopez

CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM; Pledge of Allegiance, Mission/Vision Statement – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Hornak asked to make some opening remarks.

As we gather tonight, I want to begin by expressing our heartfelt gratitude. We are deeply thankful for the opportunity to serve the students, staff, and families of Holt Public Schools. It is a privilege to be part of a community that values education, growth, and the well-being of every individual.

A strong sense of belonging is the foundation of our success. When students and staff feel connected and supported, they thrive. This year, we've witnessed remarkable achievements, not just academically but in the way our community has come together to support one another.

Looking ahead, the future is bright. With ongoing improvements through our bond initiatives and a commitment to excellence, we are poised to continue our journey of growth and success. Congratulations to the Class of 2025 and the 100th Graduating Class from Holt Public! We celebrated their accomplishments with an outstanding graduation ceremony that showcased their hard work, dedication, and the bright futures that lie ahead.

On a personal note, this year has been especially meaningful. I've had the privilege of connecting with our students on a deeper level, gaining insights into their aspirations and challenges. Their resilience and enthusiasm inspire us all. As we approach the end of the school year, let's finish strong. The last day of school is June 12, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on August 20. Together, let's continue to make Holt Public Schools a place where every student feels valued and empowered.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – Remove Student U from Due Process hearing approvals. Remove items 5.6, 6.1, 6.2, 7.1, 7.3, 7.4 from the agenda. They were covered in the Committee of the Whole meeting earlier.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Erin Beaubien – Wanted to share how excited the students and staff are about the new building going up. Also expressed her appreciation that since Ryan's team filled the swings area on the playground, the students have been playing and not getting muddy.

Coach Billie Jo Olcheske – She serves as Girl's Volleyball coach and also the Boys' Volleyball coach. She wanted to thank the Board for supporting their piloting the boys' volleyball club program. They will be participating as an MHSAA in the 25-26 school year. They will be self-funded.

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Scott Laubenthal – Softball parent. He came to share frustration with the softball coaching situation. When the new coach resigned and the old coach stepped in the girls were very happy. He also shared frustration with the Athletics Office.

Nate Vandlen – Softball parent. He shared his frustrations regarding the softball coaching situation and shared concerns about the Athletics Office.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVALS* *Note: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.*

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 12, 2025*

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 12, 2025*

Gifts/Donations – Kroger Rewards, \$1,168.10

Approval of Bills Paid*

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Student Representative Report – Maleek shared that students are having mixed emotions right now between final exams and looking forward to summer and moving the next grade. He will be a senior in the fall.

Mark Perry, Capital Improvement Committee (CIC) Meeting – The team met and discussed Washington Woods concrete issues that will need to be fixed as part of the bond work. The Junior High track and updating the athletic facilities were also discussed. A sign package will be discussed at a future meeting.

Mark Perry, Finance Committee – The committee saw the budget presentation that Mr. Dunkel will be sharing later in the meeting.

Robert Halgren, Building & Grounds Committee – The committee met and discussed facilities updates/projects that will be presented by Ryan Zoumaris later in the meeting.

Jennifer Robel, Transportation and Safety Committee

Overnight Trip Requests*

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee and supported by Trustee to approve the HHS Cheerleading Cheer Camp trip. Motion carried.

Due Process Hearings –W, X, Y*

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Halgren and supported by Trustee Perry to approve the recommendation for Student W. Motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Halgren and supported by Trustee Perry to approve the recommendation for Student X. Motion carried.

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IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Halgren and supported by Trustee Perry to approve the recommendation for Student Y. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Hornak shared highlights from his monthly Superintendent's Report. A copy of the report is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

President's Report - Monthly Commemorative, Cultural and Celebratory Events - June is Alzheimer's Awareness Month, Pride Month, Men's Mental Health Month, Caribbean Heritage Month, Day of Pentecost, Int'l day of Countering Hate Speech, World Environment Day, Native American Citizenship Day, and Juneteenth.

WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Approval of the 2025-26 MHSAA Membership Resolution* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 2025-26 MHSAA Membership Resolution. Motion carried. A copy of the MHSAA Membership Resolution is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

DISTRICT DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Non-bargaining Wage and Contract Language Adjustments* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the non-bargaining wage and contract language adjustments as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Contract* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the Superintendent's Contract as presented. Motion carried. A copy of the Superintendent's contract is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Truth & Taxation Hearing - Mike Dunckel shared information related to the Truth and Taxation hearing. A copy of the Truth & Taxation information is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

Truth & Taxation Public Comment – There was a call for anyone wishing to make public comment regarding the Truth & Taxation hearing. No public comment.

25-26 General Fund Budget* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 25-26 General Fund Budget as presented. Motion carried.

25-26 Food Service Budget* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 25-26 Food Service Budget as presented. Motion carried.

25-26 Building & Site Fund Budget*- IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 25-26 Building & Site Fund Budget as presented. Motion carried.

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25-26 Debt Retirement Budget*- IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 25-26 Debt Retirement Budget as presented. Motion carried.

25-26 Internal Service Fund Budget*- IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Robel to approve the 25-26 Internal Service Fund Budget as presented. Motion carried.

Facilities Memo – Ryan Zoumbaris, Facilities Director provided a memo with details of each of his proposed purchases for the Facilities Department. A copy of the memo is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

Midway Classroom Updates - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve Gordon Construction Services to provide the Midway Classroom Updates as presented in the amount of \$352,515*.

Box Truck Replacement - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Jones to approve La Fountain Ford to provide the Box Truck Replacement as presented in the amount of \$68,712.80*.

Lawn Mower Replacement - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Caluk to approve the Superior Saw to provide the Lawn Mower Replacement in the amount of \$41,477*.

Playground Mulch - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve Three Oaks Groundcovers to provide the Playground Mulch in the amount of \$35,700*.

Dimondale Custodial Equipment - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Jones to approve KSS to provide the Dimondale Custodial Equipment as presented in the amount of \$61,232.63*.

Filter First Project - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Jones to approve Aaron's Plumbing to provide the Filter First Project as presented in the amount of \$246,008.72*.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Halgren and supported by Trustee Leonard to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Jones, Secretary

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