

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DIMONDALE AND HOLT, MICHIGAN

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 5780 WEST HOLT ROAD, HOLT

Monday, March 9, 2025 - 5:30 P.M.

Present: Amy Dalton, Jennifer Robel, Kevin Leonard, David Hornak

Absent: Jessie Jones, Matea Caluk, Robert Halgren

CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM – The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – It was decided that if we had time, we could move items from the Regular Meeting Agenda forward to this meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

BOND PARTNER UPDATE – Eric Zimny, Project Manager from Granger Construction shared information about the Transportation Building Post-Bid Contractor Recommendations and Washington Woods Cabling and Technology Equipment (E-Rate) that the Board will be voting on in the Regular meeting.

He shared that the Transportation bids came in at \$949 over the estimate. The total is \$1,478,943.

CLOSED SESSION* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Leonard and supported by Trustee Perry that the Board go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268, Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss bargaining unit contract negotiations. The Board entered closed session at 5:35 pm

The Board returned to open session at 5:54 pm.

HR UPDATE – Erin Quinlan shared her monthly update. She also shared that there is a team at the MSU Job Fair and they will be attending the MDE Job Fair later this week and the LCC Job Fair next week. We have teams attending for the purpose of recruitment at all of these events.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL PACKET – Michael Dunckel shared the Monthly Financial Packet and wanted to also discuss the furniture for the new Sycamore Elementary School. Mr. Dunckel also invited Ryan Zoumaris to share information about the UHF Amplification system at Dimondale. He also had an exterior door project.

OTHER - Add Policy Discussion – Dr. Hornak wanted to share that he is proposing new policies related to the state, local, and federal elections. Hosting elections in our buildings when we have students in the buildings is a safety risk. He is hoping to have the Board adopt policy that forbids polling from happening in our buildings where students are present. This will minimize disruptions, provide consistent policy for the Village township and our community. 9150.01 School Visitors and Public Access during the School Day. We are capturing what happens in our buildings currently by scanning our visitors to do an on the spot background check. 7440.02 School Safety and Access. 7510.03 Polling and Elections in our Facilities. He is asking the Board to waive the second reading of the policies to adopt them tonight and have them updated in the April spring policy update.

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President Dalton shared that she would add it to New Business on the Regular agenda.

Move 6.2 – CIC – Chairperson Perry shared they met last Tuesday. Transportation project is over budget, but not by much so the CIC is supporting the bid as presented by Granger. There was a discussion about the general budget for the bond, and they sat down with the bond partners last Friday and the entire \$170,000,000 has been earmarked so projects that remain, they will have to find the funds from another source. The downside is he thought there would be funds left. They sat aside funds to abate Hope. If we find a buyer, we can utilize the \$1 million they set aside for Hope. They spent time discussing a new restroom space external to the buildings and near the athletic fields the space would also have facilities storage space for the equipment to maintain the grounds. The construction manager does not want to handle the project and therefore they price it very high. The Board will need to discuss how to handle this restroom and storage building.

The following agenda items were moved from the Regular Agenda since there was time remaining:

Justice, Belonging, Culture and Well-Being (JBCW) Committee – Chairperson Leonard shared they met recently and spent a good amount of time reviewing disciplinary data and getting updates on the data. We also discussed data collection and the upcoming census.

Transportation and Safety Committee – Overnight Trip Requests and Due Process Hearings. There have been a few Transportation and Safety meeting over the past few weeks. There will be four overnight trip proposals that the committee will be recommending this evening for approval. There are also two students who had due process hearings and we will be recommending their final disciplinary determination for approval as well.

Trustee Perry asked about student travel and emergency situations. Christine said she would look into it and provide the information. She found some information and provided it to Chairperson Robel.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Hornak shared information from his 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 – Commemorative, Cultural and Celebratory events in the month of March include: National Reading Month, Women's History Month, National Reading Month, Gender Equality Month, Music in Our Schools Month, Irish American Heritage Month, Greek American Heritage Month, National Colon Cancer Awareness Month, National Kidney Month, National Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month, National Developmental Disabilities Month, and National Nutrition Month.

ADJOURNMENT* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Robel and supported by Trustee Perry to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Jones, Secretary

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