

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (Approved)**

BOARD AND ADMIN WORKSHOP

HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DIMONDALE AND HOLT, MICHIGAN

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**Monday, August 11, 2025 - 8:00 A.M.**

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

Central Office Team Members Present: Jessica Cotter, Erin Quinlan, Teryn Henderson, Mike Dunckel, Melissa Stuard, Christine Lopez

WELCOME/ROOM ORIENTATION

The participants were asked to participate in a Menti - What did you enjoy about summer?

WORKING BREAKFAST

CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM; Pledge of Allegiance, Mission & Vision – The meeting was called to order at 8:12 a.m.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

BOARD PRESIDENT OPENING REMARKS – President Dalton shared opening comments regarding the impact we can have when we come together as a community.

ICE BREAKER / GROUP NORMS – Teryn Henderson and Jennnifer Cronkite lead the group in an ice breaker exercise and shared the group norms.

WELCOME FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT – Dr. Hornak welcomed everyone and discussed how we have been focusing on a sense of belonging in our school community. We will continue to focus on that. He read a book called “All are Welcome Here”. He encouraged the leaders to continue to focus on building a sense of belonging in their buildings.

Looking Back: DiSC Profile, Optimism, Culturally Responsive School Leadership, unpacking our Strategic Plan, Dream Journal, and more.

We reconnected with the DiSC profile and shared collaboratively at our tables.

We reconnected with our MLK Dream Journals and did a reflective exercise from the journal.

SENSE OF BELONGING BOOKS – Dr. Hornak had several sense of belonging books and did an interactive exercise to give them away to participants.

BOND UPDATE - Dr. Hornak gave an update on the bond work across the district.

BREAK

Dr. Halgren left at 8:30 a.m.

DISC PROFILE ACTIVITY – We did another DiSC profile exercise by meeting with someone we had not spoken to yet today and shared our profile and responded to prompts provided by Dr. Hornak. We then switched and found a new partner and did this exercise for a few rounds.

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES TRAINING: TERYN HENDERSON & JENNIFER CRONKITE – We spent time discussing the differences between Restorative Practices and Restorative Justice. We also discussed how each of these are implemented across our school buildings and in other student services realms such as food service, transportation, paraeducators,

SENSE OF BELONGING – MAKING ROOM FOR BELONGING IN SCHOOLS

Activity: What does it feel, sound, and look like?

Dimension of Belonging: Draft Definition & Actions to take to foster this dimension

Table Talk Exercise: Answer each essential question when prompted. We discussed that this was difficult exercise.

BREAK

WORKING LUNCH – REFLECTIVE TIME: What will you intentionally do to enhance or further develop a sense of belonging in your school, department, or learning community? Menti

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – The Board members each shared reflective and grateful comments about the time spent together and well wishes for the new school year.

TICKET OUT EVALUATION (Menti) – The participants were asked to go to Menti to evaluate the workshop.

CONSENT AGENDA

**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 July 7, 2025\*

Minutes of the Statutory Organizational Meeting of June 7, 2025\*

Minutes of the Closed Session of June 7, 2025\*

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 7, 2025\*

Approval of Bills Paid\*

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Leonard and Trustee Perry to approve the consent agenda minutes. Motion carried.

President Dalton shared that we are removing item 20.1.3 GMB Amendment to the Owner/Architect Agreement.

## REPORTS

Mark Perry – CIC Meeting – Trustee Perry gave an overview of CIC meeting discussions.

Tiffany from GMB provided an overview about the Washington Woods bond work and upcoming bid. She shared items that will be included in the base bid and some alternate items that have been identified as items we will add if we are under budget.

President Dalton wanted to know about equity for instance, if Washington Woods is getting air conditioning for the gym that the Junior High building will also be receiving that as well as gender neutral bathrooms.

Trustee Perry explained they are looking at that but there may be some other equitable items that the Junior High will have that Washington Woods will not. She wants to make sure we do not have our community feeling that improvements are being made to some buildings but not at others.

President Dalton wants to make sure we continue to have that on the table at our planning sessions for the bond work.

Jeff Tuley from Granger Construction shared the estimates of the DD. We are currently \$1.3 million under budget. The CIC committee has prioritized three alternate items they would like to add. They are hoping to have a great bid day that will allow us to add some of the alternates as well.

Washington Woods DD Estimate\* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Leonard and Trustee Robel to approve the Washington Woods DD Estimate as presented.

Sign Package\* - Jeff Tuley also shared information about the sign package.

The sign package was sent out for bid, and it came in less than expected so they will begin changing signs at West Campus buildings.

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Leonard and Trustee Robel to approve the sign package as presented. In the amount of \$104,230.

Robert Halgren – Building & Grounds Committee – Trustee Halgren had to leave earlier so Ryan Zoumbaris gave an update on Building & Grounds committee meeting.

## DISTRICT DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

HR Report – Dr. Quinlan gave an update on positions across the district. We are in very good shape. They are continuing to hire.

Bus Drivers Tentative Agreement 2025-2028\* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and Trustee Robel to approve the Bus Drivers Tentative Agreement 2025-2028 as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Caluk raised concerns about the language regarding sex and gender. Dr. Quinlan will speak with the union steward and the Teamsters Rep to see if they are open to clarifying that language

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT\* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Robel and supported by Trustee Jones to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Jones, Secretary