

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

BOARD AND ADMIN WORKSHOP

HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DIMONDALE AND HOLT, MICHIGAN

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 5780 WEST HOLT ROAD, HOLT

Monday, August 10, 2026 – 7:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM; Pledge of Allegiance, Mission & Vision – President Dalton called the meeting to order at 7:35 am.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

WORKING BREAKFAST – We had yogurt parfaits, snacks, juice.

WELCOME FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, HAL HEARD III – Superintendent Heard welcomed everyone to the meeting. Spoke about the power we all have to impact our world through our students.

AGENDA REVIEW – RETIRING SUPERINTENDENT, DAVID HORNAK – Dr. Hornak gave a highlight of the agenda for today's meeting.

WELCOME TO THE TEAM – Dr. Hornak read a children's book – A Kids Book about Belonging.

JUSTICE LEADERS COLLABORATIVE GUIDELINES - Teryn Henderson walked us through the guidelines for the day.

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

BOARD PRESIDENT OPENING REMARKS, AMY DALTON – President Dalton shared how much the Board appreciates all the work that is done across the district. She discussed her children and how so many at Holt Public made an impact on them.

BEST DAY EVER ACTIVITY – Superintendent Heard walked us through the Best Day Ever activity.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK – Policy Committee members, Jessie Jones, Matea Caluk, and Amy Dalton are working on a strategic plan refresh. They shared what they have been doing for the strategic framework and refresh. They had each table complete and interactive activity where they review the strategic objectives and select 3 or 4 that resonate with the folks at their tables. Each table shared the objectives they focused on.

EQUITY AUDIT RESULTS – Teryn Henderson did a presentation presenting the results from our Equity Audit conducted by the Culturally Responsive School Leadership Institute.

HACKING DEFICIT THINKING PRESENTATION - Dr. Kelsie Reed, Author and HHS Class of 2011 Alumna is the co-author of Hacking Deficit Thinking. She used our equity audit data to use her expertise and address what HPS can do to hack deficit thinking.

THE DREAM JOURNAL EXERCISE – The team took part in a Dream Journal Exercise.

BOND UPDATES – Dr. Hornak shared a bond project update.

BOOK STUDY – HACKING DEFICIT THINKING by Byron McClure & Kelsie Reed

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 shared reflective thoughts and appreciation for the leaders of the district.

TICKET OUT EVALUATION (Menti)

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 13, 2026*

Minutes of the Statutory Organizational Meeting of July 13, 2026*

Minutes of the Closed Session of July 13, 2026*

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2026*

Approval of Bills Paid*

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Leonard and supported by Trustee Halgren to approve the consent agenda. Motion Carried.

DISTRICT DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

HR Report – Dr. Quinlan asked if the Board had any questions on the HR Report. There were no questions.

Curriculum Office Update - Student Handbooks Approval* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the student handbooks acknowledging that there may be changes to the handbook based on Board policy changes.

The Board will be notified if there are any other changes to the handbook through the year.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Monthly Financial Packet – Mr. Dunckel asked if anyone had questions regarding the financial packet. There were no questions.

Facilities Purchase – Toolcat Vehicle - \$89,633.77* - Tabled until the September meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS – Food Frenzy 4-8 pm and we will have a Holt Public table to greet the public.

ADJOURNMENT* IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Robel and supported by Trustee Halgren to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:29 pm.