

REGULAR MEETING (Monday, June 16, 2025)**Members present**

Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Board President

Action: A. Roll Call of Board of Education Members

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Board President

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Action: A. Acceptance of Agenda

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the agenda, as presented.

Motion by Sharon Lee, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

4. DISCUSSION

Discussion: A. Second Reading of ESTA Policies

Re: Thrun Policy Update - Michigan Earned Sick Time Act (ESTA) Policy

The Board of Education shall adopt bylaws and policies for the organization and operation of this Board and the District. The Policy subcommittee has recently reviewed the following policies and is now submitting these to begin the approval process. Trustee Goodrich led the discussion.

Dr. Zachery-Ross: Most of our folks will not fall into ESTA, mostly grant related people. We want to make sure we are compliant within the new law. It will relate to very few of our people.

Discussion: B. First Reading of Vol. 39, No. 1 - September 2024 Policies

Re: Vol. 39, No. 1 - September 2024 Policies

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Trustee Goodrich: We will come back to the board about PO 2264. The subcommittee is not recommending PO 5330.02 for adoption. For PO 3120.08, the subcommittee is recommending the superintendent can act independently to hire part time staff. Part time hire is open to support staff and community members and that part time staff requires CPR and AD certification for high school coaches. For PO 5340, we put a cardiac response plan in the policy. For PO 5500 and 7540.09, address AI policy. PO 7440.03 is pretty minor and PO 8321 is just updated to reflect requirements of the Michigan state police and record keeping practices of our district.

Trustee Espy: Maybe need to wordsmith PO 5500.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Presentation: A. Sec. 98b Goal Progress Report - Dr. Carlos Lopez

The state requires districts to provide updates regarding our academic progress. The district administration will provide a brief overview.

Click [here](#) to view the presentation.

Click [here](#) to view the report.

Dr. Lopez presented.

Trustee Goodrich: Glad that the teacher voice is heard. Maybe a deeper dive into the transition years.

Vice President Lee: Thank you for the presentation and for sharing that YCS is doing what they say they are doing. What does face on student data mean?

Dr. Lopez: Targeting specific students to build them up.

Dr. Lopez: Principal Davis at the middle school is really working to build up both men and women and shifting the culture to be prideful that you are smart and you are learning. Programs that work on identities is powerful.

Trustee Goodrich: The programs are tapping into students' passions and giving them the opportunity to dive into their passions and to apply themselves.

Dr. Lopez: It is innovation, it is how we are energizing our students.

Trustee Espy: There is a summer slump. I'm pleased to see where we recover from that. What is the scaffolding for 10th grade? How are we pulling back from the support we give 9th graders as they go into 10th?

Dr. Hawkins: I appreciate the thoroughness of your data and keep trying to do better.

Presentation: B. Three-Year Budget Projection Presentation - Damien Butler

YCS Director of Business Services and Finance, Damien Butler, will share the Budget Projection for the YCS from FY2025 through FY2028.

Click [here](#) to view the presentation.

Mr. Butler presented.

Vice President Lee: What happens if the federal government doesn't give us any money for Head Start?

Mr. Butler: We are planning on getting it. If we don't, leadership would have to get together to develop how that would look because it would impact the whole county not just YCS. It would be a discussion countywide.

Trustee Espy: Is there any foreseeable funding in the future to replace the funding that is ending?

Dr. Zachery-Ross: We planned on the ESSR and SEEK funding being for only those years. We didn't plan on replacing them. We only planned on those dollars for those years. We are on track. We need to keep the public informed. We have always had renewals on our sinking fund millage, so we can plan for it in 2028-2029. Our community has always supported our schools. We keep looking for grants and reapplying for the ones we have.

Trustee Townsend: The contracts we just did were two year contracts, correct?

Dr. Zachery-Ross: Yes, two year contracts.

Trustee Townsend: We will start negotiations for 2026-27, right?

Dr. Zachery-Ross: Yes, before.

Trustee Townsend: With the sinking fund ending in 2028-29, we will probably ask for more in the millage since we have buildings that are 50 plus years old.

Dr. Zachery-Ross: PFM would come and give a presentation on a sinking fund or a bond.

Trustee Townsend: We would explore going for a bond or another sinking fund?

Dr. Zachery-Ross: We have some bonds coming up, sinking fund, etc. There is a lot for the board to start to consider.

Dr. Hawkins: Thank you for the presentation. I appreciate the conversation bringing forth the sinking fund, bonds, to tie them together with our strategic plan and letting the public know we have been good stewards of the money so far.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1

Information: A. Guidelines for Public Comment

Public Comment Protocol | Pursuant to Board of Education Policy 0167.3

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Julie Newland from the Student Advocacy Center: A parent action letter and a ballot initiative

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent), Minutes, Report: A. Consent Agenda

Resolution: ... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the: 1) May 12, 2025, Regular Board Minutes 2) Personnel matters as per the presented list dated 6/10/25; New Hires, Resignations, Terminations, Retirements, and Educational Sabbatical.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the:

1) May 12, 2025, Regular Board [Minutes](#)

2) [Personnel matters](#) as per the presented list dated 6/10/25; New Hires, Resignations, Terminations, Retirements, and Educational Sabbatical.

Motion by Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

8. ACTION ITEMS: Student Affairs

Action: A. Approval for Annual Instructional Material and Contract Renewals

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the:

1.) [Beable Education](#) Quote, for a purchase amount of \$81,819.50.

2.) [American Reading Company](#) 2025-26 Quote, for a purchase amount of \$70,975.00.

3.) [WISD Trusted Parent Advisors](#) Quote, for a purchase amount of \$35,000.00.

4.) [Teacher Action Research](#) 2025-26 Quote, for a purchase amount of \$38,900.00.

5.) [Imagine Learning](#) Quote, for the purchase amount of \$26,250.00.

6.) [Newsela](#) Quote, for a purchase amount of \$23,516.00.

7.) [TEAMology](#) Quote, for a purchase amount of \$98,625.50.

8.) [Pediatric Therapy Associates, LLC](#) Quote, for \$598,678.50.

Motion by Maria Goodrich, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: B. RESOLUTION: MHSAA Membership, 2025/26

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this annual resolution for membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). This authorization shall be effective August 1, 2025 - July 31, 2026, during which the authorization may not be revoked.

Each school district that wishes one or more schools to participate in MHSAA tournaments and benefit from MHSAA services must schedule on its Board of Education agenda the adoption of the Membership Resolution. The Resolution should be signed in sufficient time to prevent a lapse in membership (before August 1st). A lapse in membership, even though only for a week, can

create unnecessary problems should there be claims under the \$1,000,000 accident medical insurance plan or the concussion care gap insurance or if eligibility rulings are to be made during that period.

Click [here](#) to view the resolution.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the Resolution for Membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association, effective August 1, 2025 - July 31, 2026.

Motion by Dawn Espy, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

9. ACTION ITEM: Human Resources

Action: A. Settlement of Batista v ORS Litigation and Future Considerations Surrounding Potential BoE Resolutions

Our Collins & Blaha, P.C. attorney provided a resolution for the Board of Education regarding the settlement of Batista v Office of Retirement Services.

Click [here](#) to view the resolution.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the settlement terms of Batista v Office of Retirement Services resolution.

Motion by Sharon Lee, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: B. Approval of the Reid-Willis Company Contract, 2025/26

The presented contract is up for Board review. It is recommended the Reid-Willis Company contract be approved. The contract is attached below; for Board view only.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the Reid-Willis Company contract as presented.

Motion by Yvonne Fields, second by Sharon Lee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

10. ACTION ITEMS: Business and Finance

Action: A. RESOLUTION, 2024/25 Year-End Budget Amendment: Damien Butler, Director of Business/Finance

The proposed year-end budget revision reflects the most current budget data available for the current fiscal year. The attached is the General Fund June Budget Amendment.

The same amount of Revenue and Expense has been revised to accommodate the submitted budget amendments to the State for Title I, II and Title III (budgeting all allocated dollars and carryover allocated to the District for the year). Grant dates are for the period of July 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025.

Click [here](#) to view the amendment.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the attached resolution for the 2024/25 June budget amendment.

Motion by Jeanice Townsend, second by Talisha Sutton-Kennedy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: B. RESOLUTION, 2025/26 Initial Budget: Damien Butler, Director of Business/Finance

Michigan's Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act requires the adoption of the budget before the new fiscal year begins. The proposed 2025/26 budget is built based on a number of assumptions. After the annual financial audit is completed, and after the Fall 2025 student enrollment data is available, a budget revision will be prepared to reflect the most current financial information and projections.

The budget impact is as detailed in the attached General Appropriations Resolution for fiscal year 2025/26.

Click [here](#) to view the resolution.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the attached 2025/26 General Appropriations Resolution.

Motion by Jeanice Townsend, second by Dawn Espy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: C. Millage Rates | L-4029s: Damien Butler, Director of Business/Finance

Ypsilanti Community Schools is strictly a summer tax collection. Each year, the Debt millage must be calculated and approved by the District's Board of Education to accommodate the November and May Debt payment for the former districts of Willow Run Community Schools and Ypsilanti Public Schools. After approval of the Debt Millage, the L-4029s/2025 Tax Rate Requests are sent to the townships of Superior and Ypsilanti as well as City of Ypsilanti in preparation of tax bills sent to taxpayers.

Click [here](#) to view the L-4029 - Willow Run.

Click [here](#) to view the L-4029 - Ypsilanti.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the millage rates of the 2025 Tax Rate Request/L-4029s, as presented, for Superior Township, Ypsilanti Township and the City of Ypsilanti.

Motion by Jeanice Townsend, second by Sharon Lee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: D. Acceptance of the PA 321 Playgrounds Contract Award

Using the district PA 321 debt forgiveness funds, we recommend Erickson, Estabrook, and Holmes Elementary Schools get full playgrounds with safety surfacing included. The district is using Sourcewell Cooperative bid for these purchases. Sourcewell Cooperative Bidding program is a state-wide program that is used by Ypsilanti Community Schools to bid out projects. The project goes statewide and we get the results and select the bid that fits our budget and needs the best. It saved the district both time and money by getting the widest number of bids. Below there is a summary of each school's project cost breakdown. The total cost is \$1,500,000. We will be using We Build Fun, a Miracle Playground equipment distributor. The cost of this project would be paid for out of PA 321 debt forgiveness fund.

Click [here](#) to view the Erickson pricing.

Click [here](#) to view the Erickson playground.

Click [here](#) to view the Estabrook pricing.

Click [here](#) to view the Estabrook playground.

Click [here](#) to view the Holmes pricing.

Click [here](#) to view the Holmes playground.

.... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the bid from We Build Fun for playgrounds at Erickson, Estabrook, and Holmes Elementary Schools for \$1,500,000.00.

Motion by Jeanice Townsend, second by Sharon Lee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: E. Acceptance of the PA 321 Landscaping Contract Award

We recommend landscaping the entryways to all school buildings and the administration building. The landscaping work will occur in the month of September to ensure the plants have the best chance of growing. Each landscaped garden will be maintained by the landscaping company for 5 years to ensure their health and longevity. We requested bids from four different companies. Only two companies wanted to bid on our project. Below is a summary of the bids and a project cost breakdown. Every location will have: All plants have a 1 year warranty., Watering 8 times year one, 4X year 2, 3X year 3, 2X year 4, 2X year 5, Applying chemical treatments 1x per year, Weed 1x per year or as needed, Spread Fresh layer of mulch 1x per year, and Edged beds. When the companies came back with their bids, they did not provide a breakdown for each school. The total replacement cost is approximately \$184,719.00. Margolis Companies, the low qualified bidder, with their bids totaling \$174,719.00 and an allowance for additional work requested. The cost of this project would be paid for out of PA 321 debt forgiveness fund.

Below is a Bid Award Summary based on the YCS bid tab, broken down by company and by lowest bid.

Bid	Company
\$174,719.00	Margolis Companies
\$204,989.00	DJ's Landscaping

Click [here](#) to view the plants for each building.

Click [here](#) to view prices.

Click [here](#) to view the YCHS view.

Click [here](#) to view the Estabrook view.

Click [here](#) to view the ACCE view.

Click [here](#) to view the Ford STEAM ELC view.

Click [here](#) to view the Holmes STEAM view.

Click [here](#) to view the Perry ELC view.

Click [here](#) to view the YCMS view.

Click [here](#) to view the Erickson view.

Click [here](#) to view the Dual Immersion view.

Click [here](#) to view the YIES view.

Click [here](#) to view the Administration building view.

.... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the bid from Margolis Companies for entryway landscaping throughout the district for \$184,719.00.

Motion by Dawn Espy, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: F. Acceptance of the Dual Immersion Playground Contract Award

We are seeking board approval for installation of Age-Appropriate Playgrounds for both lower and upper-level learners at 510 Emerick St - the location of the new Dual Immersion program. The project is awarded to We build Fun at a cost of \$209,588.55 through our use of the Sourcewell Cooperative contract award. Sourcewell Cooperative Bidding program is a state-wide program that is used by Ypsilanti Community Schools to bid out projects. The project goes statewide and we get the results and select the bid that fits our budget and needs the best. It saved the district both time and money by getting the widest number of bids.

Click [here](#) to view the playground equipment list.

Click [here](#) to view the playground.

.... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the bid from We Build Fun for the playgrounds at the Dual Immersion School for \$209,588.55.

Motion by Maria Goodrich, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: G. Acceptance of the Dual Immersion Furniture and Essential Materials Contract Award

We are seeking board approval for Purchase of Furniture and Essential Materials needed to support classroom and administrative operations upon reopening at 510 Emerick St - the location of the new Dual Immersion program. The project is awarded to We build Fun at a cost of \$101,221.52 through our use of the Sourcewell Cooperative contract award. Sourcewell Cooperative Bidding program is a state-wide program that is used by Ypsilanti Community Schools to bid out projects. The project goes statewide and we get the results and select the bid that fits our budget and needs the best. It saved the district both time and money by getting the widest number of bids.

Click [here](#) to view the classroom furniture.

Click [here](#) to view the media center furniture.

.... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the bid from We Build Fun for furniture and essential materials at the Dual Immersion School for \$101,221.52.

Motion by Yvonne Fields, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: H. Donations: For YCS Events Series

Seeking Board approval for donations made to Ypsilanti Community Schools for the F.A.C.E. Conference, Back-to-School Bash, and Jazz in the Parking Lot from

1.) Huron Valley Pace for \$2500

2.) The Ride for \$1000

Thank you, YCS Supporters, from all the students that you are impacting with this donation!

.... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accepts donations from

1.) Huron Valley Pace for \$2500

2.) The Ride for \$1000

for the YCS Event Series.

Motion by Jeanice Townsend second by Dawn Espy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

11. ACTION ITEM: Other

Action: A. 2025/26 Renewal of Membership with the Michigan Association of School Boards

The Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) supports, promotes, and enhances the important service and leadership of Michigan public boards of education. The annual renewal of this membership for 2025/26 begins on July 1st.

Membership Cost: \$7,750.12

Click [here](#) to view the annual report.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the 2025/26 renewal of membership with the Michigan Association of School Boards, at a cost of \$7,750.12.

Motion by Dawn Espy, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: B. MASB Delegate Election

The Board of Education will vote on it's delegate and alternate to MASB's 2025 Delegate Assembly which will begin Thursday, October 23 at 7 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme, MI. Delegates selected by boards of education across the state will decide MASB's positions on a wide variety of issues affecting education.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the MASB Delegate Election that the board will vote on it's delegate and alternate to MASB's 2025 Delegate Assembly which will begin Thursday, October 23 at 7 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme, MI. Delegates selected by boards of education across the state will decide MASB's positions on a wide variety of issues affecting education. I move that we approve Trustee Fields as our delegate and Trustee Sutton-Kennedy as our alternate.

Motion by Dawn Espy, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Action: C. Adoption of the Name for New Dual Spanish Immersion School

Seeking board approval for the adoption of the name for the new Dual Spanish Immersion School.

A spirited discussion ensued.

...MOVE that the Board of Education adopt Ypsilanti Puentes Multilingual School as the name of the new Dual Immersion School.

Motion by Dawn Espy, second by Yvonne Fields.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

Vice President LEE left at 9:18 p.m.

12. ACTION ITEM: Neola Policy Updates

Action: A. Adoption of ESTA Policies

Re: Thrun Policy Update - Michigan Earned Sick Time Act (ESTA) Policy

The Board of Education shall adopt bylaws and policies for the organization and operation of this Board and the District. The Policy subcommittee has recently reviewed the following policies and the Board had its first reading at its previous board meeting. The second reading occurred earlier in the meeting and pending no additional changes or discussion required, the board will consider adopting the policies.

...MOVE THAT the board of education adopt the ESTA Policy, as presented.

Motion by Maria Goodrich, second by Talisha Sutton-Kennedy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Yvonne Fields, Maria Goodrich, Jeanice Townsend, Talisha Sutton-Kennedy, Dawn Espy

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

Information: A. Guidelines for Public Comment

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No comments

14. DISCUSSIONS

Discussion: A. Board of Education Subcommittee Reports

Trustee Goodrich: The DTN subcommittee's meeting on May 29th was cancelled. The next meeting will be in the fall when we will resume and probably look at survey results and the 98b data. The policy subcommittee met and we made it through the policies we covered tonight. We have two more folders that we are hoping to get through before the next round of policies drops in September.

Trustee Espy: WASB met on June 12th. Mary Jane Tramontin and Diane Hockett to remain on the board as well as Dorcas Musili. They are working on developing the professional development for the next year including at the March 2026 annual meeting, especially trainings around finance and CTE, drones, and AI.

Trustee Townsend: WASB set the board of directors meetings. They are held in person at 7:00 p.m. and they will be October 9, 2025, January 22nd, March 12th, and June 11, 2026. The legislative relations network meetings are usually held at 7:30 a.m. in person and we will be requesting some of the meetings be hybrid. They will be September 15, 2025, January 26th, and May 18, 2026. The annual ISD budget meeting will be April 23, 2026 by Zoom. Maybe include a youth representation at the board meetings discussion at the board retreat, maybe how, what it could look like, maybe representation from the high school and maybe having a junior prepared to take over the next year. so there is no gap or transition time. Planning on sending communication to more people on the boards. Planning on moving the executive directors meetings a week earlier to get the agendas out earlier. I can bring the desire to have all the meetings be hybrid so they can be more accessible.

Trustee Sutton-Kennedy: LRN meeting was on May 19th. Still waiting on the legislators to pass a school budget. Head Start funding was discussed at that meeting. There is a back up plan to transfer the seats to the Great Start Readiness Program. The WISD continues to advocate for these programs and is had a 60th year anniversary celebration for Head Start on May 31st. A CTE millage proposal vote is scheduled for June 24th. If approved it may appear on the ballot in November. They celebrated MASB achievements and Trustee Fields received three of those awards.

Trustee Fields: Lambert has kept us up-to-date on all the spotlights that they have been doing. Next Monday will probably be our last meeting for a little while and I will report back from it.

15. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Hawkins: Here are three awards for Trustee Fields.

Trustee Fields: We could become an honor board where the complete board is made up of certified board members.

Dr. Hawkins: We are a very engaged board, not just at the table but in the community and nationally.

Trustee Townsend: Attended the YCMS talent show. We have many talented students. I attended WIHI graduation and we graduated over half of the 120 graduates. Trustee Espy and I participated in the WIHI government panel. The kids scared me to death with all their questions but it was great. My Tuesday Together video finally dropped and it was about Parkridge Community Center.

Trustee Fields: I also attended the WIHI graduation.

Trustee Sutton-Kennedy: On May 15th, Ford had their STEAM night. It was well attended. May 22nd was graduation and that was really exciting. Congrats to all our graduates. I appreciated how we highlighted the different credentials and achievements of our scholars during graduation. On May 27th, we had our first Spanish immersion parent organization meeting.

Dr. Hawkins: the Grizzly Awards was fantastic. Congratulations to all the winners. A big thank you to all our educators, staff, parents making it a successful school year. Thank you to Trustee Sutton-Kennedy for dropping off the treats at the different locations to say thank you for the different departments.

Dr. Zachery-Ross: Congratulations to everyone. We had a wonderful failfest at one of Ypsilanti's historic landmarks. We talked about history and we talked about the future and where the district is going in the fall. The district has not been painted since 1996 and every single classroom will be painted when the scholars come back. We can't forget basics as well as doing innovation. We have 1300 signed up for Grizzly Learning camp. The biggest camp yet! Talking about CTE. Excited for the future. We have two kindergartens and may have a third in the new school. Jazz in the Parking Lot is coming up. We need the scholars to keep engaging during the summer, and will be ready for them to return on August 25th.

16. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.