

**ALLENDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 15, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.  
OAKWOOD BOARD ROOM**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

**I. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 PM**

**II. MISSION STATEMENT**

Allendale Public Schools commit to educate, inspire, and support all students.

**III. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Cannata, DeJong, Hendricks, Holstege, Mango, Ramey, Thurkettle

**Administration:** Cooper, Park, Haraburda, Torno, VanderLaan

**IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**V. STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT – PRINCIPLE 3.12** Trustees respect all confidential information received and refrain from disclosing opinions expressed in confidence by other Trustees and administration. (Trustee - Cannata)

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

Members of the audience are welcome to make comments at the time designated on the agenda. Please register on the sign-up sheet and limit your comments to 3 minutes when your name is called. Out of respect for all individuals, please refrain from personal criticisms in an open forum. Policy #167.3

**VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by DeJong, seconded by Holstege, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Minutes**

June 10, Regular Meeting Minutes

June 10, Truth in Taxation Budget Hearing Minutes

**B. Financial Reports**

a. General Fund Summary

b. Budget Report

c. Cumulative Fund Activity Report

d. Business Services Checklists

d. Financial Statement Notes

e. Check Register

Wires: #5270 - 5306; Checks: 228202 - 228263;  
EFT: 16852 - 16976; Wires, EFT, & checks totaling = \$1,191,219.01

- C. Personnel Report**
- D. Probation and Tenure**

Motion by Holstege, seconded by DeJong, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**IX. EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- A. Sumner Meekhof - All State Golf**

**X. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Ad Hoc (SEAB)**

**XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- A. Dates**

July 17 Community Bond Info Night, 6:00 PM, Oakwood Board Room  
August 1 Community Bond Info Night, 6:00 PM, Oakwood Board Room  
August 12 Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 PM, Oakwood Board Room

- B. Bond Update**
- C. District Improvement Goal**
- D. NEOLA special update Title IX**
- E. Other**

**XIII. BOARD COMMENTS**

DeJong

**XIV. PRESIDENT COMMENT**

Mango

**XV. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. School Bond Qualification and Loan Program Application & Resolution**

**Background:** The District has been participating in the School Loan Revolving Fund Program for many years. This application is being filed with estimated amounts. As the May 1, 2025 principal and interest repayment date approaches, final program participation amounts will be determined.

Motion by DeJong, seconded by Holstege, to approve the School Bond Qualification & Loan Program Application & Resolution as presented. Motion carried.

**Roll Call Vote:** Cannata - YES; DeJong -YES; Hendricks - YES; Holstege - YES; Mango - YES; Ramey - YES; Thurkettle - YES

**B. Approval of the Operations Agreement**

**Background:** The Operations Agreement is a 3-year deal which impacts our custodial, maintenance and grounds workers. The new agreement adjusts the wage scale in a competitive nature compared not only with other school districts, but also against jobs in the private sector. There were also minimal tweaks to contract language, including a snow day language adjustment to better align with other work groups, and also vacation days language.

Motion by DeJong, seconded by Holstege, to approve the Operations Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

**Roll Call Vote:** Cannata - YES; DeJong -YES; Hendricks - YES; Holstege - YES; Mango - YES; Ramey - YES; Thurkettle - YES

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT at 6:30**

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Vissers