OFFICIAL

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION, FITZGERALD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COUNTY OF MACOMB, STATE OF MICHIGAN
May 12, 2025

Agenda meeting was convened by Mrs. Yokel at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Engagement Center of the Neigebaur Administration Building, 23200 Ryan Road, Warren, Michigan. Attending were Yokel, Covert, Furgal, Meisner, Lee, Ahmed and DeLoatch.

1. The Board Meeting was called to order by President Yokel at 6:30 p.m., in the Community Engagement Center of the Neigebaur Administration Building, 23200 Ryan Road, Warren, Michigan.

Members present: Julia Yokel, Annie Covert, Judy Furgal, Randel Meisner, Kimberly Lee, Khaja Ahmed, and Raymond DeLoatch.

Members absent: None

Also present: Interim Superintendent, Laurie Fournier; Director of Academic Services, Elizabeth Jensen; Business Manager, Gina Cereska; Director of Human Resources, Cheri Nowak; Director of Operations, William Rudd; and Director of Communications and Culture, Jessica Percy along with approximately 44 interested observers, employees, and administrators. Absent: None

2. DECLARATIONS:

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.2 Our Vision: L. Fournier

Fitzgerald Public Schools: Educating our Future
Focused ~ Progressive ~ Successful

Our Mission: L. Fournier
Inspiring, Empowering and Preparing Today's Learner to become Tomorrow's Leader

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to adopt the agenda as amended with the subtraction of:

- 9.7 FFEA Grant by Laura Murphy (combined with Scott Hills)

- 9.8 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Laura Murphy

And addition of the following to 9.11

- Joelle Maleszyk retires as of June 30, 2025
- Danielle MacKay, retires as of June 6, 2025
- Amanda Carroll, Director of Food Services, termination effective May 9, 2025
- Promotion of Dionne Boza from Westview Lower Elementary Secretary to the Principal to Administrative Assistant to the Director of Student Services effective May 12, 2025.

12.85 Approval of Resolution to Consider Designation of Electoral Representative for the June 2, 2025, MISD Biennial Election Meeting

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

4. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION: None

5. ACTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: (Items indicated by an asterisk) The Board uses the Consent Agenda format. This allows for certain items to be designated and identified by an asterisk as part of the Consent Agenda, and therefore, acted on in a single motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda by any member of the Board at the time of the meeting.

Consent Items were read by Judy Furgal:

Items included on this meeting's Consent Agenda

* 6.1 Minutes of the April 14, 2025 Board Meeting
* 6.2 Minutes of the May 5, 2025 Special Meeting
* 7.1 Approval of the Monthly Business Affairs Documents

Second and Final Reading of:

*12.11 Policy 2120 - School Improvement
*12.12 Policy 2131 - Educational Outcome Goals
*12.13 Policy 2262 - School Aged Child Care Programs (SACC)/Latch-Key Programs
*12.14 Policy 2265 - Child Care Center Staff And Volunteers
*12.15 Policy 2270 -Religion In The Curriculum
*12.16 Policy 2340 - Field And Other District-Sponsored Trips
*12.17 Policy 2370.01 - On-Line/Blended Learning Program
*12.18 Policy 2410 - Prohibition Of Referral Or Assistance
*12.19 Policy 2411 - Guidance And Counseling
*12.20 Policy 2412 - Homebound Instruction Program
*12.21 Policy 2413 - Critical Health Problems
*12.22 Policy 2414 -Reproductive Health And Family Planning

*12.23 Policy 2416 - Student Privacy And Parental Access To Information
*12.24 Policy 2418 - Sex Education
*12.25 Policy 2421 - Career And Technical Education
*12.26 Policy 2421.01 - Students As Trainees
*12.27 Policy 2430 - District-Sponsored Clubs And Activities
*12.28 Policy 2431 - Interscholastic Athletics
*12.29 Policy 2431.01 - Managing Heat And Humidity In Interscholastic Athletic Programs
*12.30 Policy 2440 - Extended Year Program
*12.31 Policy 2450 - Community and Adult Education
*12.32 Policy 2451 - Alternative High School
*12.33 Policy 2460 - Special Education
*12.34 Policy 2460.02 - Least Restrictive Environment Position Statement
*12.35 Policy 2461 - Recording Of District Meetings Involving Students And/Or Parents
*12.36 Policy 2464 -Programs For Gifted Students
*12.37 Policy 2510 - Adoption Of Textbooks
*12.38 Policy 2521 - Selection Of Instructional Materials And Equipment
*12.39 Policy 2531 - Copyrighted Works
*12.40 Policy 2575 - Community Service/Service Learning Requirement
*12.41 Policy 2605 - Program Accountability And Evaluation
*12.42 Policy 2623 - Student Assessment
*12.43 Policy 2628 - State Aid Incentives
*12.44 Policy 2700 - P.A. 25 Annual Report
*12.45 Policy 4216 - Support Staff Dress and Grooming
*12.46 Policy 5512 - Use Of Tobacco By Students
*12.47 Policy 5722 - School-Sponsored Publications And Productions
*12.48 Policy 6423 - Use of Credit/Debit cards
*12.49 Policy 7540.01 - Technology Privacy
*12.50 Policy 7540.02 - Web Accessibility, Content, Apps And Services
*12.51 Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use And Safety
*12.52 Policy 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use And Safety
*12.53 Policy 7540.05 - District-Issued Staff Email Account
*12.54 Policy7540.06 - District-Issued Student Email Account
*12.55 Policy 7540.07 - Personal Internet Account Privacy - Students
*12.56 Policy 7540.08 - Personal Internet Account Privacy - Staff
*12.57 Policy 7550 - Joint Use Of Facilities
*12.58 Policy 8420 - Emergency Situations At Schools
*12.59 Policy 8531 - Free And Reduced-Price Meals
*12.60 Policy 8600 - Transportation

*12.61 Policy 8640 - Transportation For Field And Other District-Sponsored Trips
*12.62 Policy 8660 - Transportation By Private Vehicle
*12.63 Policy 8710 - Insurance
*12.64 Policy 8740 - Bonding
*12.65 Policy 8760 - Student Accident Insurance
*12.66 Policy 8800 - Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies And Observances
*12.67 Policy 8900 - Anti-Fraud
*12.68 Policy 9111 - Telephone Communications
*12.69 Policy 9120 - Public Information Program
*12.70 Policy 9130 - Public Complaints
*12.71 Policy 9140 - Citizens' Advisory Committees
*12.72 Policy 9160 - Public Attendance at School Events
*12.73 Policy 9190 - Charges For Industrial/Technical Projects
*12.74 Policy 9211 - District Support Organizations
*12.75 Policy 9210 - Parent Organizations
*12.76 Policy 9211 - District Support Organizations
*12.77 Policy 9250 - Relations With Parents
*12.78 Policy 9270 - Equivalent Education Outside the Schools (Home Schooling)
*12.79 Policy 9500 - Relations With Educational Institutions and Organizations
*12.80 Policy 9555 - Partnerships With Business
*12.81 Policy 9600 - Staff/Student Participation in Community Events
*12.82 Policy 9700 - Relations With Special Interest Groups
*12.83 Policy 9700.01 - Advertising And Commercial Activities
*12.84 Policy 9800 - High School Diplomas to World War II, Korean Conflict, and Vietnam Era Veterans

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Lee, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

6. MINUTES:
*****Items 6.1 and 6.2 were approved under the Consent Agenda.

7. BUSINESS AFFAIRS: Item 7.1 was approved under the Consent Agenda.

8. CORRESPONDENCE: None

9. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS
9.1 Presentation: China Students
~~9.2 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Kathy McDonald~~
9.3 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Kelly Dalia-Warner

9.4 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Leanne Davis
9.5 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Bessie Tasios
9.6 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Brian Michael
9.7 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Joelle Maleszyk
~~9.8 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Laura Murphy~~
9.9 Presentation: FFEA Mini Grant - Scott Hills & Kathy McDonald
9.10 Presentation: Textbook Adoption for Grades K-5 - E. Jensen
9.11 STAFF CHANGES:

- Lyle Dixon, from Special Education Teacher at Chatterton Middle School to Special Education Supervisor, effective April 28, 2025
- Dionne Boza from Westview Lower Elementary Secretary to the Principal to Administrative Assistant to the Director of Student Services effective May 12, 2025

RETIREES:

- Joelle Maleszyk retires as of June 30, 2025
- Danielle MacKay, retires as of June 6, 2025

RESIGNATIONS:

- Marry Petritis, Student Support Paraprofessional, Schofield Early Childhood Center, effective April 16, 2025
- Kaitlyn Stanley, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Student Services, effective May 31, 2025

TERMINATIONS:

- Amanda Carroll, Director of Food Services, termination effective May 9, 2025

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 Chris Bierman, Track Varsity Girls Coach, Fitzgerald High School, effective March 3, 2025

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

10.2 Shahmeen Chowdhury, Student Support Paraprofessional, Schofield Early Childhood Center, effective April 28, 2025

Motion by Ahmed, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

10.3 Akinnley Ackerman, Student Support Paraprofessional, Chatterton Middle School, effective April 28, 2025

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

10.4 Charles Greer, Football Junior Varsity Coach, Fitzgerald High School, effective August 11, 2025

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

10.5 Connie Frikken, Basketball Varsity Girls Coach, Fitzgerald High School, effective November 17, 2025

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

10.6 Kelly Weingust, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, Schofield Early Childhood Center - extend until May 21, 2025

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Approval of the Review and Approval of the Proposed Macomb Intermediate School District Budget

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.2 Approval of Fitz Summer Camp: June 16, 2025, through August 8, 2025

Motion by Lee, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.3 Approval of the Yeo & Yeo, P.C. Engagement for Year Ending June 30, 2025

Motion by Ahmed, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.4 E-rate Service Contract Resolution 7/25-6/26

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.5 Textbook Adoption (K-5 ELA) for Benchmark- E. Jensen

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Lee, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.6 Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Fitzgerald Education Association, MEA/NEA & Fitzgerald Board of Education 9/1/2025 - 8/31/2027

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.7 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Fitzgerald High School Boiler Repair Project

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Ahmed, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.8 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Fitzgerald High School Heating and Cooling System Repair Project

Motion by Ahmed, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.9 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Fitzgerald High School Asbestos Abatement Project

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Lee, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

12.10 Approval of an Addendum to EduStaff contract for Athletic Employees

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

Items 12.11 through 12.84 were approved under the Consent Agenda.

12.85 Approval of Resolution to Consider Designation of Electoral Representative for the June 2, 2025, MISD Biennial Election Meeting

Motion by Meisner, seconded by DeLoatch, to approve the recommendation as presented.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

13. BOARD ITEMS

13.1 Local Citizens Items - Per Board Bylaws: Persons wishing to address the Board of Education must identify themselves by name and address and indicate their desire to be heard at the outset of the Board meeting or when otherwise requested to do so by the President of the Board of Education. Each person wishing to address the Board will be permitted a reasonable time, not to exceed three (3) minutes except in unusual circumstances, in which to be heard; the amount of time allotted to be within the discretion of the President of the Board of Education. Adoption Date: June 23, 1977; Amended: 3/17/83, 10/17/85, 03/05/87, 04/21/94, 05/05/05 and 10/15/09.

One audience member addressed the Board.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Lee, to adjourn the meeting.

AYE: All NAY: None Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Randel Meisner, Board Secretary

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 9, 2025