

Hesperia Community Schools
Board of Education
09/21/26
Regular Meeting

This regular meeting was called to order by Board President Al Daniels at 7:00 pm in the High School Media Center.

Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call:

- Board Members Present: Pat Broton, Barb Maynard, Ryan Good, Scott Rumsey
- Board Members Absent – Michelle Allen, Jason Newman, Al Daniels (virtual)
- All present took the pledge

Additional Agenda Items:

- None

Correspondence:

- None

Public Comments:

- None

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- Approve 08/24/26 regular meeting minutes
 - Motion by Barb Maynard, supported by Pat Broton. Passed 4-0

Approval of Bills:

- Motion by Barb Maynard, supported by Pat Broton. Passed 4-0

Approval of Local Bills:

- None

Student Representative Report:

- Been a busy year so far.
- Homecoming went as planned
- The new cell phone policy seems to be going well.

Maintenance Director Report:

- Maintenance department completed over 90 work orders this past month.
 - Making keys, delivering water, repairing door handles, addressing issues with the freezer and cooler door handles in the kitchen.
 - Moved furniture for teachers and staff as needed.
- We had some sewer issues this past month.
- One of the kitchen ovens has been having issues. An ignition board has been ordered.

Food Service Director Report:

- We took a great picture of the food service group on Professional Development Day
- A-La-Carte sales have started out pretty strong.
- We now have three Alex's on the food service staff!
- We are celebrating the National School Lunch Week on October 12-16. This year's theme is Cafeteria Circus.

Transportation Director report:

- Personnel – Annette Krehn has joined the substitute team.
- Fleet – we welcomed bus #18 to our fleet after trading #11 bus.
- Safety / Operations – ride times are averaging 50 minutes to an hour or less.
- We transitioned to a new fuel provider that offers an improved management system. This system will allow us to track fuel usage and costs more accurately and efficiently.

Athletic Director report:

- We had our homecoming football game last Friday.
- Signing up coaches for coaching clinics
- More students coming out for sports after they see other students having fun.

Elementary Principal Report:

- We had 67 students receive weekend food bags from True North
- We still have several areas that we will be focusing on from our Title I audit last year.
- The Preamble / 4th Grade Capitol field trip – the 4th grade has a field trip to the Capitol in Lansing this Friday. The students have been learning the Preamble. There will be a party on 09/30 for staff and students to recite the Preamble.

- NCRESA coaching support – Jessica Plont from NCRESA will be working with our building this year alongside Monica McAree to support coaching with our staff.

Middle School / High School Principal Report:

- School year is off to a great start
- Chad Paine attended the MHSAA update meeting for Principals and Superintendents in Grand Rapids today.
- Homecoming week celebrated last Friday. Mr. Ott sent out some invitations for a true homecoming for the band program. Mr. Balcom was a guest conductor. Mr. Courtright also conducted the Star Spangled Banner for the current band, as well as some returning alumni.
- Newaygo County College & Career Night will be tomorrow at Fremont High School. Mr. Escobedo will be representing Hesperia at the event.
- Our threat assessment team had updated training last week.
- Last Thursday, we celebrated Constitution Day in our Social Studies classes.
- Cell phones are almost non-existent in the middle school and high school.
- Our MTSS team will meet this Wednesday, staff will be training in CPR and Satchel Pulse, which is mental health-related training.
- We are two weeks away from fall Count Day.

Special Education Supervisor Report:

- We are doing well with IEPs, 504s and meetings.
- We are starting a social-emotional screener called Satchel Pulse for students. This will be completed three times a year to determine possible needs and interventions in the areas of self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills and responsible decision making.
- There are multiple professional development opportunities for special education staff to continue to improve our IEP writing and special education practices.
- We are gearing up for fall count day. Brooke has been working on cleaning up our level data

Business Manager Report:

- Audit is almost complete. We hope to hear about the results in the next week.
- We are working on the foundation for the first budget amendment.
- We are looking at resumes

Superintendent Report:

- Gearhead Garage has applied for a grant this year
- Bryan Mey is going to the Superintendents' meeting this week in Traverse City.
- We are joining the initiative Family Friendly Schools, which aims to improve attendance. We are applying for a grant that would make this a no-cost project.
- Scholarship Granting Organization –

Public Comments on Action Items:

- None

Informational Items:

- Bond update –
 - Tonight we are going to award contracts for Bid Package #2.
 - By October 1st, we are hoping that work will be happening on the Athletic Complex.
 - We are working in Bid Package #3 tomorrow.

Action Items:

- Approve hiring a bus driver – Alexandria Rodriguez
 - Motion by Barb Maynard, supported by Pat Broton. Passed 4-0
- Approve Bid Package #2 contracts
 - Motion by Scott Rumsey, supported by Barb Maynard. Passed 4-0

Board Discussion:

- Pat Broton will be absent the next meeting.

Adjournment :

- 7:46 pm. Motion by Barb Maynard, supported by Ryan Good. Passed 4-0

Barbara Maynard, Secretary***

Alan Daniels, President***

***Signature on file