



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Andy Jensen.

Members present: Jensen, VanStrien, Alster, Eluskie, Bormes, Driscoll

Members absent: Bremer

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Audience Comments/Public Participation:

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. MHSA Annual Membership Resolution 2025-2026:** The Board reviewed the 2025-2026 MHSA Annual Membership Resolution.
- B. School Bond Loan Fund Borrowing:** The Board reviewed the School Bond Loan Fund Borrowing Resolution which would permit the Director Finance and Operations to borrow money to pay the bond debt.
- C. Board Policy Updates–Second Reading:** The Board reviewed the Spring 2025 Neola policy updates as a second reading.
- D. Kent ISD Enhancement Millage Resolution:** The Board reviewed a resolution to support the consideration of an enhancement millage to be placed on the ballot in November 2025.
- E. SESA Contract Agreement:** The Board will be asked in a future meeting to review and approve the SESA Contract Agreement once the union approves a contract settlement.
- F. Adult Education Diploma Completion Credits:** Heather Holland reviewed some changes to the graduation credits for the adult education program.

CONSENT AGENDA/APPROVAL:

- A. Previous Minutes:** to accept the minutes from the May 5, 2025 Special Board Meeting/Disciplinary Hearing, the May 12, 2025 Board Meeting and the May 16, 2025 Special Board meeting.
- B. Personnel Report:** to accept the personnel recommendations as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- C. District Donations:** to accept the donations submitted as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- D. Treasurer's Report:** to accept the Treasurer's recommendation to approve the following expenditures:

General Fund	\$681,782.25	Debt Retirement	-
Sinking Fund	\$34,146.00	2019 Bond Series 2	\$5,427.00
Student Activities	\$32,975.26	Payroll Fund	\$1,251,053.97
Food Service Fund	\$114,261.86		
		TOTAL	\$2,119,646.34

Motion by VanStrien, supported by Alster, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Resolution Authorizing Sparta Area Schools' membership in West Michigan Health Insurance Pool (WMHIP):** The Board was asked to approve the resolution to authorize membership in WMHIP and in doing so, assigned the Director of Finance & Operations (Kristin Melvin) as the trustee to The Pool Board. Motion by Bormes, supported by VanStrien, to approve the WMHIP Resolution as presented.
Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
- B. Neola Board Policy Update:** The Board was asked to review and approve the Spring Policy Updates from NEOLA.
Motion by VanStrien, supported by Bormes, to approve the Neola Spring Policy Updates as presented.
Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
- C. Administrative Contract Proposal and Salary Schedule 2025-2026:** The Board was asked to approve the Administrative Salary schedule and contract proposal for the 2025-2026 school year.
Motion by Alster, supported by VanStrien, to approve the Administrative Salary Schedule and Contract Proposal as presented.
Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
- D. Filter First Grant Bids:** The Board was asked to approve the Rite-Way bid to install hydration stations in district buildings in order to meet the new Filter First legislation requirements.
Motion by Bormes, supported by Eluskie, to approve the Rite-Way Filter First bid as presented.
Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
- E. L-4029 2025 Tax Rate Request:** The Board was asked to approve the 2025 tax rates as presented.
Motion by Eluskie, supported by Driscoll, to approve the 2025 tax rates as presented.
Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.
- F. SESPA Contract Agreement:** There is no proposed agreement to approve. Action Item bypassed.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

- A. Organizational Meeting Reminder:** Meeting dates approved through 2025
- B. Thrun Law Notes:** May 2025
- C. Board Workshop:** June 24, 2025-Budget Hearing and Superintendent Evaluation
- D. Roundtable Discussion:**

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Bormes, supported by Alster, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm.

Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark L Alster

Board of Education Secretary
Sparta Area Schools