

Regular Board Meeting, May 12, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

A motion at 6:24 p.m. to enter into closed session for the purpose of considering information regarding personnel was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion at 6:44 p.m. to come out of closed session was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by M. Regis.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President S. Sullivan. Roll Call: Supt. Decman, BGS Principal M. Wepprecht, HIS Principal B. Miller, LMS Principal M. Chavers, HHS Principal B. Elliot, District Curriculum Director P. Falk, District Special Services Director J. Fulton, reporter from the Herscher Pilot and other visitors.

Pledge of Allegiance

Students of the Month Recognition

2nd- Viola Minor, parents are Dominique Schultz and Matthew Minor

3rd- Andi Kokos, parents are Jennifer and Justin Kokos

4th- Gavin Down, parents are Jennifer and Brian Down

5th- Shelby Duda, parents are Courtney and Adam Duda

6th- Kennedy Renshaw, parent is Sonyia Renshaw

7th- Victor Brown, parents are Celia & Eric Brown

8th- Isabella Granzow, parents are Stacey and Steve Granzow

HS – Braydon Fields, parent is Marcie Hoogstraat and Matthew Hoogstraat

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes of Previous meetings
- B. Treasurer's Report/Balance Sheet – Investment Summary
This figure includes **\$ 1,447,822.63** in payroll/benefits, **\$ 344,327.34** in regular bills (plus any addendums), and **\$27,924,063.79** in investments.
- C. Approval of bills, salaries and investments
- D. Approval of Resolution regarding Close Session Verbatim Recordings/Minutes older than 18 mos.
- E. Approval of Leave Requests

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded J. Hastings to approve the items on the Consent Agenda

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Public Comment Period

Superintendent's Report

- A. Donations/Grants/Acknowledgements
- B. Good News!
- C. FOIA Report (3)
- D. Overnight Trip Update - 1 (Foods)
- E. Report regarding KACC – meeting is this week
- F. Procurement Committee Update – replacing approximately 1/3 of laptops
- G. HIS Building Update – tabled for now
- H. Other – reminder about LMS & HHS graduation

New Business

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Certified Resignations** of **Bode Nelson** (LMS Gr 8 ELA) and **Abigail Cash** (HIS 2nd Gr Teacher) as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by M. Regis to approve the **Extra-Curricular Resignations** of **Jake Prescott** (LMS Wrestling Coach), **Lisa Kleinert** (LMS Speech Coach eff 4/16/25), **Kathy Jordan** (LMS Speech Coach), and **Jake Senesac** (HHS Play Sponsor), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Certified Hire of Anthony Giuseffi** (HHS Social Science Teacher), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Certified Hire of Amanda Lundmark** (1st Grade Teacher), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Certified Hires of Anya Bauer, Stacey Atkinson, Julie Murray, Jessica Kruse** (Summer school teacher), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Non-Certified Hire of Lisa Spenard, Laura Kurtz, Suzanne Dohe** (Summer School Paraprofessional), and **Gabrielle Longtin, Addison Telschow, and Jayden Crane** (Summer Crew), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by K. Johnston to approve the **Extra-Curricular Appointments of Loryn Bruer** (HHS Volunteer Asst Girls Soccer), **Timothee McElroy** (Head Girls Basketball Coach), and **Sofi Petrovski** (HHS Creative Writing Club Sponsor), as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve **MOU regarding HHS Bowling Coach**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Discussion regarding the new HIS building and possible next steps

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve **95% completion of drawings for the proposed HIS building**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Discussion of fence along athletic complex

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly approve **fence project at Seebach Stadium**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 1 Nays 5

Lion Electric bus update/auction

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve **finance lease bid for buses**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by M. Regis and was seconded by J. Hastings to declare **district owned property as surplus**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings to **approve district insurance for Property, Inland Marine, General Liability, Educator Legal Liability, Automobile, Excess Liability, and Crime, Cyber**

Liability, Terrorism, Worker's Comp, and Student Accident Coverages for the amount of \$566,705 for 25-26 FY, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve **recoating of High School gym roof**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to **approve replacement of exterior door by High School Art Room**, as recommended. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Other: None

Old Business

Other: None

Adjournment

A motion at 7:51 P.M. to adjourn was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly. J. Hastings; aye, P. Daly; aye, M. Regis; aye, K. Johnston; aye, S. Sullivan; aye, D. Wright; aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

President, S. Sullivan

Secretary, J. Hastings

Special Board Meeting, May 12th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The special meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President S. Sullivan. Roll Call: P. Daly, J. Hastings, M. Regis, D. Wright, S. Sullivan, Supt. Decman, and other visitors.

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings to adopt the County Clerks' canvass and certification of votes cast at the April 1, 2025, nonpartisan election of the Board of Education and winners of the election. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve the minutes from previous meeting(s): April 14, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. – Regular Executive/Closed Session; April 14, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. – Regular/Open, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

There was recognition of members leaving the board: Joseph Powers

S. Sullivan appointed Supt., Dr. Decman as President Pro Tem.

Kamber Johnston, Mark Regis, and Dustin Wright were sworn in as members of the Herscher Community Unit School District No. 2 Board of Education.

Reorganization of the Board:

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by D. Wright to nominate and elect S. Sullivan as President of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2025 election.

Nominations were closed. After a 4-0 vote for S. Sullivan, **Sally Sullivan was named the President** of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2027 election.

A motion was made by S. Sullivan and was seconded by J. Hastings to nominate and elect D. Wright as Vice President of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2027 election.

Nominations were closed. After a 4-0 vote for D. Wright, **Dustin Wright was named the Vice President** of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2027 election.

A motion was made by S. Sullivan and was seconded by D. Wright to nominate and elect J. Hastings as Secretary of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2027 election.

Nominations were closed. After a 4-0 vote for J. Hastings, **Jason Hastings was named the Secretary** of the Board of Education until term ends after the Regular Board Meeting following the 2027 election.

Board President, S. Sullivan appointed J. Hastings as Board Representative to the Illinois Association of School Boards. D. Wright was named alternate.

Board President, S. Sullivan appointed J. Reick as Board Representative to the Kankakee Area Career Center. M. Regis was named alternate.

Board President, S. Sullivan appointed P. Daly and M. Regis to be on the Budget Planning Committee. D. Wright was named alternate.

Board President, S. Sullivan appointed K. Johnston to the Procurement Committee.

Board President, S. Sullivan appointed the official depositories of District monies:

State Bank of Herscher

Peoples Bank

Midland States Bank

Municipal Bonds, *as approved*

Municipal Trust & Savings Bank

Michigan State University Federal Credit Union

Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS)

Campus State Bank

First Trust Bank

There was a brief discussion regarding Board Member training.

A motion at 6:25 p.m. to adjourn was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

President, S. Sullivan

Secretary, J. Hastings