

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Hubler at 4:04 p.m.

Members Present: Farley, White and Schulte.
Members Excused: Genest.

Administrators Present: DeVault, Bollinger, Rilley, Flye, Frank, and Michalak.

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted and moved by White, supported by Schulte. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERESTING THINGS

Superintendent DeVault reported that MIPP sites recently held community events at Bruce Township Park, Wolcott Mill Farm, Clinton Township Inclusive Playground, Kids' Empire and Bollinger Splashpad. Children and their families enjoyed various outdoor activities with their MIPP providers. These community events allow MIPP families to explore resources in their community.

On July 30th, Lutz held its annual completer BBQ in the back lot, providing 29 completers with an opportunity to celebrate together and enjoy an afternoon of outdoor games, hot dogs, pulled pork sandwiches, and karaoke. The celebration continued in the gym, where the completers were welcomed by their peers for one final Lutz dance. On August 6th, Lutz celebrated the conclusion of another successful year for our Lutz completers with a special ceremony at Villa Penna. The evening included dinner, dancing, and the presentation of certificates commemorating each completer's 26 years of schooling. We are incredibly proud of our completers and all they have accomplished throughout their years at Lutz. As they begin this next chapter, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for continued success. They will be greatly missed by the Lutz community.

Bovenschen school along with the PTO and the Alhambra, Sancho and Carvan, held an end of the year fun day on August 4th. This fun-filled day provided the students and staff of Bovenschen with a proper send-off. The PTO provided a foam party where students could play in non-toxic foam, the Alhambra provided a hot dog luncheon, and all students and staff enjoyed ice cream. It was a wonderful day.

Flynn hosted its summer District PE Games on August 6th. About 30 students from Bovenschen Peters and Flynn enjoyed competing against each other in frisbee, golf, putt-putt, corn hole and bocce.

This event helped foster social skills and a sense of community all while celebrating the wins and learning from the losses.

Two students from Flynn were invited to participate in the Sheperd's Hollow Golf Benefit, a fundraiser which helps raise funds for Michigan Special Olympics. On Monday, August 10th, Matt Poniatowski and Marcello Rossi were among two of the fifty athletes invited to complete in this event held at Sheperd's Hollow in Clarkston. Each athlete showcased their skills in driving, long iron shot, pitching, chipping and putting. The culminating activity was the long putt where our very own, Marcello Rossi, got a hole-in-one on the long putt. After an excellent dinner, everyone commenced outdoors for the awards ceremony. Matt Poniatowski was called to the podium and awarded a 3rd place finish for his division. Marcello Rossi was called to the podium earning a 2nd place finish in his division.

On August 6th the Flynn hosted its first "Drive-In Movie Experience." Families, friends and staff were invited. We were lucky to have 65 guests registered for the event along with several volunteers to help with the evening. You could sit near your car or bring your chairs to our designated area where a 21-foot screen with stereo sound was set up. The movie started at 8:55 which gave guests time to mingle, play games, participate in activities, and redeem their tickets at the concession stand. The concession stands included hot dogs, nachos with cheese, hot pretzels, popcorn, candy and refreshments. The evening was a hit. They were singing along with the movie and at the end the staff joined the festivities singing and dancing to the finale. We even got lucky with the weather.

MISD bus driver Grant Lemmer won first place at the State School Bus Roadeo in Lansing. He qualified and competed at the national level in Texas where he represented the state and school district very well. MISD transportation supervisor, Kim Foss, was voted Michigan Association for Pupil Transportation Supervisor of the Year and was honored at the annual conference in June.

OPEN MEETINGS COMPLIANCE

Vice President Hubler asked patrons wishing to be heard to fill out a form for that purpose and submit it to Mr. White. Three minutes per person would be allowed under Section II, A.

RECOGNITION OF THE ALHAMBRA ORGANIZATION

Principal Cathy Sulkowski introduced representatives from the Alhambra Organization. The Alhambra has two councils in Macomb County and has been supporting the ISD for over forty years and their mission is to help children with special needs. Today we are honoring the Alhambra Organization for their generous donation to the sensory room at the Bollinger Education Center.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Director of Center Programs Paula Elias introduced Heather Shubnell from Bozymowski Elementary School, Julee Anderson from Glen Peters School and Cathy Sulkowski from Bovenschen School who introduced each of the outstanding Teachers of the Year.

Principal Shubnell introduced Natalie Tucker, Elementary School Nominee- Bozymowski Elementary School. She stated that Natalie joined the ISD around COVID and is the type of teacher where any child can succeed. She is energetic and outgoing, and she makes students feel like they don't even have special needs. Here are just a few comments that others have made about Natalie:

- *"She actively engages both her classroom and the broader community through innovative and inclusive initiatives."*
- *"Through her creativity, dedication, and thoughtful planning, she transforms her classroom into a hub of engagement, independence, and community connection."*
- *"She demonstrates exceptional leadership within her center-based special education program through her expertise, creativity, and mentorship."*

Principal Julee Anderson introduced Amy Rumschlag, Middle School Nominee- Glen H. Peters School. She stated that Amy can make anything work and is the queen of making things accessible. Amy is always taking the whole school into account and is an avid user of all forms of communication. Here are just a few comments that others have made about Amy.

- *"This nominee understands and embraces all the good that can come from positive relationships."*
- *"She is driven to make things accessible to her students and is creative in finding ways to make it happen."*
- *"This remarkable teacher is invested in her students, their families, and the communities in which they live."*

Principal Cathy Sulkowski introduced Ashley Pyatt, High School Nominee- Keith Bovenschen School. She stated that Ashley is our go to for anything. She loves her students like her own. She helps with events and committees and is dependable for our staff. Here are just a few comments that others have made about Ashley.

- *"She brings creativity and enthusiasm to everything she does, sharing innovative activities and ideas that inspire her teammates."*
- *"Her approach fosters a sense of community, teamwork, and joy among her peers."*
- *"She understands that all students can learn, but not in the same way, and not always on the same day."*

OVERVIEW OF CTE PROGRAMS

Chief Academic Officer Alesia Flye reported on a new Macomb Career Tech Consortium (MCTC). This is a partnership between Macomb Community College, the ISD and Macomb County schools to give opportunities to students to obtain college credits in the areas of HVAC, Mechatronics, and Welding. We currently have 70 students enrolled.

CONSENT AGENDA

10. Moved by Schulte, supported by Farley, to approve the August 12, 2026 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

11. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following retirements:

Sherry Power
SXI Para

Kathleen Ritter
SXI Para

Kate Haselhuhn
SCI Para

Shawn Jenuwine
Asst. Principal

Dana McGillen
MIPP Teacher

Kelly Strachan
SEI Teacher

Barbara Ward
MCI Para

Carol Beaulac
PT

Kelly Cronk
SLP

Lisa Simmons
OT

Deanne Vecellio
Bus Driver

Teresa Craft
Wilde

Moved by White, supported by Schulte, that the Board of Education accepts, with regret, notifications of retirement as per the above and expresses its deep appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Board and its Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

ESC NORTH BOILER SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

12. Chris Frank, Assistant Superintendent of Business, reported that the boilers at the ESC building are old and in need of replacement. We are pleased with the pricing and have been assured that they are in the warehouse and could be installed in the next few weeks if approved.

Moved by Schulte, supported by White, to authorize Administration for the ESC north boiler system replacement to Engineered Comfort Systems, Inc., as recommended by Chris Frank and Sal Pellerito in an amount of \$279,711.00, which includes a contingency for any unanticipated costs. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

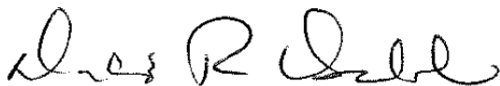
SPECIAL REPORTS AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given conflicting schedules, the August 26, 2026 Board meeting may be canceled, or the time may be changed to 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

17. Moved by White, supported by Schulte, to adjourn. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



Donald Hubler, Vice President



Brian White, Secretary

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