

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

ORCHARD VIEW SCHOOLS

Muskegon, Michigan 49442

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## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Orchard View High School Community Room

16 N. Quarterline, Muskegon, MI 49442

September 15, 2025

6:30 p.m.

### MINUTES

#### I. ROUTINE BUSINESS:

a. Call to Order

*Meeting called to Order @ 6:30 p.m. by T. Joppie.*

b. Roll Call

*Members Present: T. Joppie, C. Bankhead, L. Nelson, S. Horsly, J. Wydeck*

*Members Absent: J. Taylor, J. Eggeman*

c. Pledge of Allegiance

d. Consent Agenda Items

i. Modification/Approval of Agenda

- September 15, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

ii. Approval of the Minutes

- August 18, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

iii. Report & Payment of Bills

- District Financials August, 2025
- Head Start Financials August, 2025

*Motion to modify/approve all September 15, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Consent Agenda items, as presented:*

*Motion: C. Bankhead*

*Support: L. Nelson*

*Carried: 5-0*

e. Public Comment

*None*

#### II. CARDINAL PRIDE

a. Tom Hamilton recognized student artists who had submitted artwork that was published in the district wall calendar.

b. One Good Thing

- Tom Hamilton, Superintendent, gave a shout out to Jack Timmer and Earl Schaub for their hard work on the football stadium. It was great to have a home game on Friday in the new stadium and see all of the fans!
- Samantha Wilson, High School Principal, brought three good things to share: Clara Moore is a new counselor, Emily Hoekstra is new to the English department, and Justin Varineau is new to the math department.
- Megan Johnson, Orchard View Early Elementary Principal, shared that OVEE is trialing an idea for children to eat right away when they get to school in the morning and then get outside for a recess after that. Also, teachers are beginning to implement walking podcasts during PD times.
- Joshua Smith, Orchard View Middle School Principal, shared that they had 90 students sign up to be in Student Council. Ashley Keena and Tara Gerrans are the supervisors of that program and have welcomed all of those students to be a part of the group of leaders.
- Heather MacDonald, Cardinal Elementary Principal, introduced Kelly Allard, the new Assistant Principal at Cardinal.
- Nick Kunnen, Innovative Learning Center Director, shared a facebook thread with some very positive comments from a family about the program.

### III. PRESENTATIONS:

- a. Nick Kunnen presented an A-91T for purchase of a Mobile HyFlex Learning Lab for the ILC. We want to be able to access microcredentials across the region. This includes a doc cam, computer, large screen, audio, recording, etc.
- b. Heather Lorenz-Babcock went over the L-4029 Tax Levy Calculation Form, which allows us to levy taxes for operating millage, debt, and sinking fund.
- c. Tom Hamilton presented on the ELL Onsite Review/Audit that was held 2 weeks ago. Angela Prins is coordinating for the District. We take a team approach. We are looking to provide better services. We were rated on 36 indicators and had no violations. We came off looking really good. Last year we had 43 students in ELL. We already have 52 this year.
- d. Heather Lorenz-Babcock gave an update on the operating millage. The proposal comes up on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Heather shared this [document](#).
- e. Earl Schaub presented a stormwater board resolution. We will follow procedures to maintain stormwater drains properly.

### IV. CLOSED SESSION:

*Motion to move into Closed Session for a suspension/expulsion/reinstatement hearings and superintendent goals @ 7:04 p.m.*

*Motion: L. Nelson                      Support: C. Bankhead*

*Board President asked for a Roll Call Vote:*

*Ayes: C. Bankhead, L. Nelson, S. Horsly, J. Wydeck, T. Joppie*

*Nays: none*

*Motion to move into Closed Session passed by a 5-0 vote.*

- a. Suspension/Expulsion/Reinstatement Hearing Student MM250506G
- b. Suspension/Expulsion/Reinstatement Hearing Student HC252708B
- c. Superintendent Goals

*Motion to move into Open Session*

*Motion: C. Bankhead                      Support: L. Nelson*

*Board President will ask for a Roll Call Vote:*

*Ayes: J. Wydeck, S. Horsly, L. Nelson, C. Bankhead, T. Joppie*

*Nays: none*

*Motion to move into Open Session passed by a 5-0 vote*

*Resumed Open Session at 8:31 p.m.*

### V. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. A-91T - ILC Mobile HyFlex Learning Lab  
*Motion to approve A-91 to Mobile HyFlex Learning Lab in the amount of \$32,289.50 for purchase of Mobile HyFlex Learning Lab as presented:*  
*Motion: L. Nelson                      Support: C. Bankhead                      Carried: 5-0*
- b. September Personnel Change Form  
*Motion to approve the staff changes per the September Personnel change spreadsheet as presented:*  
*Motion: L. Nelson                      Support: J. Wydeck                      Carried: 5-0*
- c. Suspension/Expulsion/Reinstatement for Student MM250506G  
*Motion to recommend 180 day expulsion with option of MCVA for student MM250506G as presented:*  
*Motion: J. Wydeck                      Support: T. Joppie*  
*Board President will ask for a Roll Call Vote:*  
*Ayes: C. Bankhead, L. Nelson, S. Horsly, J. Wydeck, T. Joppie*  
*Nays: none*  
*Carried: 5-0*
- d. Suspension/Expulsion/Reinstatement for Student HC252708B  
*Motion to recommend 180 day expulsion with opportunity for reinstatement for second semester if he passes 6/6 classes at MCVA and participates in counseling through the 25-26 school year for student HC252708B as presented:*  
*Motion: L. Nelson                      Support: C. Bankhead*

*Board President will ask for a Roll Call Vote:*

*Ayes: J. Wydeck, S. Horsly, L. Nelson, C. Bankhead, T. Joppie*

*Nays: none*

*Carried: 5-0*

**e. Stormwater Board Resolution**

*Motion to approve the Stormwater Board Resolution as presented:*

*Motion: C. Bankhead*

*Support: T. Joppie*

*Board President will ask for a Roll Call Vote:*

*Ayes: C. Bankhead, L. Nelson, S. Horsly, J. Wydeck, T. Joppie*

*Nays: none*

*Carried: 5-0*

**VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS:**

- a. Tom spoke about enrollment for the first couple of weeks of schools and he believes that our enrollment is going to be down. We will wait for final numbers and a budget.
- b. Homecoming is scheduled for October 10, 2025. Samantha Wilson and Neisha Millis are making plans. Tom will speak with Sam and LeRoy about the possibility of finding a date for Red and Gray night.
- c. Audit report presentation by Paul Gilbert date to be determined (November)

**VII. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ITEMS:**

- a. T. Joppie asked about following up on the public comment from the summer where the lady's paycheck was being garnished. We have not learned any further info on this.

**VIII. BOARD MEMBERS' ITEMS:**

None

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn

*Motion to adjourn:*

*Motion: C. Bankhead*

*Support: L. Nelson*

*Carried: 5-0*

*Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. by T. Joppie.*