

Montabella Community Schools
Minutes of the TRUTH-IN-BUDGET-Board of Education Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2026 - 5:30 PM

A TRUTH-IN-BUDGET-Board of Education Meeting of the Montabella Board of Education was called to order by President, Eylie Foster on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 5:30 PM in the JR/SR HIGH CAFETERIA, 1390 North County Line Rd., Blanchard, Michigan 49310.

I. Opening of Meeting - by President Eylie Foster

The Mission of Montabella Community Schools is to provide high-quality instruction in a safe and inspiring learning environment where every student achieves their potential.

II. Reports

Introduction-Andrew Alvesteffer
2025/26 Budget Amendments-Jessica Aldridge
2026/27 Budget Proposals-Jessica Aldridge
Yondr Pouches-Adam Urbanawiz
Elementary Literacy-Mike Moore
Elementary Handbook Changes-Mike Moore
Jr/Sr High Handbook Changes-Shane Riley

III. Communication

Superintendent

IV. Community Input

V. Discussion

VI. Consent Agenda

Draft Minutes

Financial Recommendations

Resignations/Retirements

Motion to approve the consent agenda. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

A. Minutes

Draft Minutes

6.2.26 DRAFT MINUTES

5.18.26 DRAFT MINUTES

5.27.26 DRAFT MINUTES

B. Financial Recommendations

FP Finance Report

Board Report

C. Resignations/Retirements

Brittany Paelncr-Assistant Principal Elementary

John Krolczyk-Teacher

VII. Action Agenda

Personnel Recommendations
CSAA League-Football
Elective Class-Jazz Band
Elective Class-Choir
Middle School Trip
SEC-Security Officer
Superintendent Contract
MAISD Technology Services Contract
Certify Taxes
25-26 General Fund Budget Amendments
25-26 Food Service Budget Amendments
25-26 Special Revenue Budget Amendments
26-27 Proposed General Fund Budget
26-27 Proposed Food Service Budget
26-27 Special Revenue Budget
MEA Additional Retention Bonus
MESPA Additional Retention Bonus
Admin/Non-Contract Additional Retention Bonus
Closed Session
Return to Open Session
Superintendent Evaluation

Motion to approve the action agenda as presented. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Ivan Renne, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

A. Personnel Recommendations

New Hires

Amanda Acker-Director of Special Education
Ben Bratka-JrSr English-MA Step 3~Jr/Sr ELA
Alexandra Bourne-MA Step 5~Elementary Teacher
McKenzie Schur-MA Step 3~Elementary Teacher

Contract Renewals

Shelly Millis-Advisor to the Superintendent
Shane Riley-Jr/Sr High Principal
Michael Moore-Elementary Principal
Adam Urbanawiz-Assistant Principal Jr/Sr High
Kari Creguer-Behavior Interventionist

Maternity Leave Request

Skylar Jankowsky-Teacher

Motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented. This motion, made by Erica Vincent and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

B. CSAA League-Football

Motion to approve applying to Central State Acuties Association (CSAA) for Football only, as previously presented. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

C. Elective Class-Jazz Band

Motion to approve adding Jazz Band as an elective course offering at Montabella Jr/Sr High School as presented. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

D. Elective Class-Choir

Motion to add Choir as an elective course offering at Montabella Jr/Sr High School as presented. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

E. Middle School Trip

Motion to approve the Middle School trip to the East Coast for the 26-27 school year as presented. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

F. SEC-Security Officer

Motion to approve the Superintendent initiating and approving the contract with SEC to provide an armed safety manager for the district. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

G. MAISD Technology Services Contract

Motion to approve the Technology Services Contract with the Montcalm Area ISD for the 2026-27 school year as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Jeramee Gilman and seconded by Scott Parks, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

H. Superintendent Contract

Motion to approve the Superintendent contract with Andrew Alvesteffer for 2026-2029, as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

I. 2026 Certify Taxes

Motion to approve certifying the taxes for 2026 as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

J. 25-26 General Fund Budget Amendment

Motion to adopt the 2025-26 General Fund Budget Amendment as presented. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

K. 25-26 Food Service Budget Amendment

Motion to adopt the 2025-26 Food Service Budget Amendment as presented. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

L. 25-26 Special Revenue Budget Amendment

Motion to adopt the 2025-26 Special Revenue Budget Amendment, as presented. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

M. 26-27 Proposed General Fund Budget

Motion to adopt the 2026-27 proposed General Fund Budget, as presented. This motion, made by Scott Parks and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

N. 26-27 Proposed Food Service Budget

Motion to adopt 2026-27 proposed Food Service Budget, as presented. This motion, made by Erica Vincent and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

O. 26-27 Proposed Special Revenue Budget

Motion to adopt the 2026-27 proposed Special Revenue Budget, as presented. This motion, made by Ivan Renne and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

P. MEA Retention Bonus

Motion to approve the letter of agreement with the Montabella Education Association for an additional retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year, using remaining section 27I(2) funds as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Jeramee Gilman and

seconded by Ivan Renne, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

Q. MESPA Retention Bonus

Motion to approve the letter of agreement with the Montabella Education Support Personnel Association for an additional retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year, using remaining section 27I(2) funds as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Erica Vincent: Abstain (With Conflict), Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea

R. Administrators and Non-Union Addendums

Motion to approve an addendum for Administration and Non-Union employees to receive an additional retention bonus at the end of the 2025-26 school year, using remaining section 27I(2) funds as presented in your packet. This motion, made by Erica Vincent and seconded by Steve Sweet, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

S. Closed Session

Motion to approve going into a closed session at 6:53PM to perform the Superintendent evaluation. This motion, made by Steve Sweet and seconded by Jeramee Gilman, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

T. Return to Open Session/Regular Meeting

Motion to return to our open session and provide the Superintendent evaluation results. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Erica Vincent, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

U. Superintendent Evaluation

Motion to approve the evaluation rating of Effective for Superintendent Shelly Millis. This motion, made by Timothy Eldred and seconded by Scott Parks, Passed.

Timothy Eldred: Yea, Eylie Foster: Yea, Jeramee Gilman: Yea, Scott Parks: Yea, Ivan Renne: Yea, Steve Sweet: Yea, Erica Vincent: Yea

VIII. Adjournment

Adjourned by President Foster at 7:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ivan D. Renne
Board Secretary