

HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA
Monday, July 20, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Location: High School Library

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- I. Call to Order
- II. Presentation – Gundlach Champion Series 1 Update
- III. Public Comment: Each participant will be limited to five (5) minutes in duration. See rules provided.
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - Approve Minutes of 6/15/2026 Board of Education Meeting
 - Financial Reports
- V. Administrative Reports
 - Anders Hill, Superintendent
- VI. MASB, MASA & CCASB Reports
- VII. Discussion/Action Items
 1. Designation of Depositories for School Funds

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the designation of Superior National Bank as the depository of general fund, debt retirement, capital projects monies, federal tax deposits, athletics and school service accounts, and trust fund; Incredible Bank as the depository for the trust and agency fund; the Michigan School District Liquid Fund as the depository for general fund and capital projects; and

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the Breakwater Credit Union as the depository for the elementary trust and agency account.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

2. Designation of Individuals Responsible for Posting Public Notice of Meetings

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the designation of Sara Marcotte and Colette Patchin for posting public notice of meetings.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

3. Delegation of Election Duties

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the delegation of Sara Marcotte to attend to all election duties.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

4. Adoption of Legal Reference Note

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve designating themselves as a General Powers School District by operational law.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

5. Approval of Organizational Memberships – MASA, MASB, & CCASB

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the organizational memberships in the Michigan Association of School Administrators, the Michigan Association of School Boards and the MASB Legal Trust Fund, and the Copper Country Association of School Boards.

Yeas: _____

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Nays: _____

6. Approval of Annual Retainer Contracts:

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the annual retainer contracts with the Thrun Law Firm serving as school attorneys for school elections and matters pertaining to school law, and Anderson, Tackman and Company to serve as our school auditor.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

7. Resolution to Participate in School Bond Loan Fund

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve a resolution to participate in the School Bond Loan Fund.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

8. Designation of Carriers to Transport Students

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board designate Lamers Transit as the transportation provider for the district, all area schools, Copper Country I.S.D., Michigan Technological University, Houghton Transit Authority, Hancock Transit, and any other carrier designated by the Board or approved by the Superintendent as carriers to transport students.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

9. Selection of Representative for CCASB

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board approve the selection of _____ as representative for the CCASB.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

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10. Resolution to Approve Board Member Travel

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board approve member travel to MASB, MASA, and NSBA functions and seminars, the U.P. Legislative Summit, the Governor's education summit, and local CCASB functions.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

11. Resolution to Designate Julie Filpus as District Representative in Absence of Superintendent

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board designate Julie Filpus as district representative in the absence of the Superintendent.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

12. Resolution Setting First Day of School for 2026-27 School Year

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board designate Tuesday, September 8th as the first day of school for the 2026-27 school year.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

13. Discussion Mid-year Superintendent Progress Report

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board approve the hiring of:

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

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14. Round Table/Discussion

VIII. Closed Session – Negotiations

IX. Discussion/Action Items – Continued

15. Resolution to Approve HPTEA 2026-2027 Contract

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board of education of the Houghton-Portage Township Schools approve ratification of the entire successor 2026-2027 Master Agreement, reached between the Board of Education of the Houghton-Portage Township Schools and the Houghton-Portage Township Schools Education Association, be effective upon the date of the execution of the written contract by signatures of officials of both parties empowered to enter into the Master Agreement are completed.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

16. Resolution to Approve 2026-2027 Administrator/Director Contracts

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, the Board approve the professional staff contracts.

Yeas: _____

Nays: _____

X. Adjournment

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