

MINUTES  
HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
September 21, 2026

Members Present: Baltensperger, Vertin, Cischke, Massaway, Salmi, Burns, Raffaelli

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Administrators, Hill, Filpus, Klein, Scullion, Fay, Jason Evans, Page Lewandowski, Danielle Lund, Mr. and Mrs. Foltz

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Massaway called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Recognition/Presentation

1) Introduction of New Teaching Staff - Paige Lewandowski - Elementary Art School Teacher, Fred Jaehnig - MS/HS Wood & Metal Shop Teacher

4. Consent Agenda

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Salmi moved that the Board approve the minutes of the August 17, 2026 regular meeting and September financial statements and bills in the amount of \$1,263,274.48. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Administrative Reports

Mrs. Scullion, Ms. Filpus and Mr. Klein reported on events occurring in their buildings. Mr. Fay gave an update on athletics. Mr. Hill gave a report on events occurring in the district.

6. MASB, MASA & CCASB Reports

Mr. Baltensperger gave MASB, Mr. Hill gave MASA, or No CCASB reports.

7. Discussion/Action Items

1) Resolution to approve the 2026-2027 Title I Family and School Compact and Parent Involvement Plan

Mrs. Cischke with support from Mr. Baltensperger moved that the Board approve the Title I Family and School Compact and Parent Involvement Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Resolution to Approve Bid on Winter Plowing

Mr. Burns with the support of Mr. Salmi moved that the Board approve the Bid for Winter Plowing from Jordan Peterson. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Discussion/ AD HOC Committee Administrator Contract

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mrs. Raffaelli moved that the Board approve of AD HOC Committee Administrator.

4) Resolution to Approve MICIP Plan

Mrs. Vertin with support from Mr. Salmi moved that the Board approve the MICIP Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Resolution to Honor Buck Foltz for his Service to Students and Staff at Houghton-Portage Township Schools, Where As, in Recognition of Dedicated Leadership in Public Education and Service to the School Community of Houghton-Portage Township Schools.

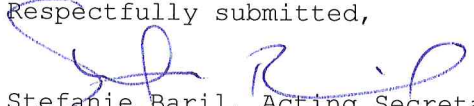
Mr. Baltensperger with the support from Mr. Burns moved that the board approve a resolution to honor Buck Foltz for his service to students and staff at Houghton-Portage Township Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

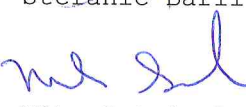
6) Round Table/Discussion

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Cischke moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Massaway adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Stefanie Baril, Acting Secretary

  
Mike Salmi, Board Secretary