



Tuesday, September 23, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Regular Board Meeting

Middle School Media Center

8587 Pennfield Road

Battle Creek, MI 49017

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1. Call Meeting to Order

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2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Education will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

The Board Secretary will administer roll call to establish that a quorum of the Board is present and to determine which Board members are present at the start of the meeting.

4. Agenda Changes

5. Public Comments - Participants are asked to keep comments to three (3) minutes.

Please notify the superintendent in writing at least two business days before the scheduled meetings of the Board of Education if you wish to address the Board but do not speak English, or if you have a handicap or disability that may prevent you from speaking to the Board. At this time, the Board will listen to comments from the public and others regarding both agenda action items and items that are not on the agenda. Per Board Policy #0167.3 each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes. This is the only opportunity for public comment. The Board President may add a second comment if there are more than 20 community members seeking to speak.

The Board requests that, if you wish to speak, you provide us with your name, address, and affiliation with the district. Please limit your comment to three minutes. Comments should not be directed at individuals on the board, rather to the board as a whole. This is a meeting of the Board of Education being held in public. Board members will not respond to public comment but you may request a formal response for a later time.

6. Recognitions and Presentations

6.1. Review of the 24-25 Financial Audit

Nate Balderman from Rehmann will present the 24-25 Audited Financial Statements.

7. **Communications**

7.1. Student Representative Report

7.2. Superintendent's Report

8. **Consent Agenda (Action)**

The following are offered as part of the consent agenda. The motion noted will allow for the authorization of all listed items, without discussion, unless a member of the Board requests that any one or all be considered individually.

8.1. Approval of the Agenda

8.2. Approval of Minutes

8.3. Approve Check Registers

8.4. Approve Electronic Funds Transfer

8.5. Approve Finance Expenditure Report

8.6. Communications to the Board

9. Items Removed from Consent Agenda (**Discussion and/or Action**)

10. **Business Agenda (Discussion and/or Action)**

10.1. **Approval of the August Bond Bills for Triangle and Kingscott. (Action)**

It is the recommendation of the Director of Finance and Operations and the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the bond bills for the month of August for Triangle in the amount of \$300,528.97 and Kingscott in the amount of \$5,520.00. A summary of services rendered is attached.

10.2. **Approval of a Communications Specialist Position (Action)**

Superintendent Lemmer and the administrative team recommend the creation of the Communications Specialist position. This position will amplify Pennfield Schools' voice by leading strategic communication efforts that connect, engage, and build trust across the district community.

10.3. **Approval of New Staff (Action)**

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Lemmer to approve:

- Aaron Maybee - 5th grade teacher at the Middle School effective 8/25/25
- Josh Flees - 8th grade History at the High School effective 8/29/25

10.4. **Approval of Overnight 6th Grade Camp (Action)**

Policy 2340 "Field and Other District Sponsored Trips" requires the board to formally approve district sponsored trips that are overnight. It is the recommendation of Superintendent Lemmer and Middle School Principal Sean Reilly, that the Board of Education approve the 6th Grade overnight field trip to Sherman Lake September 29-October 1.

10.5. **Motion to approve the Resolution Regarding State Budget Deadlines and School Funding (Action)**

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Lemmer that the Board of Education consider a resolution advocating for the Michigan Legislature and Governor to align the state's budget adoption timeline with the mandated school budget deadline, ensuring districts have finalized funding information before adopting local budgets.

10.6. **Closed Session** - for the purpose stated above in the agenda changes.

Moved by Herbstreith, supported by Forton, the Board of Education entered into closed session at 7:02 p.m. for the purpose stated above in the agenda changes.

11. Board Comments

12. Adjournment

Board President

