

**ESU #1 Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 12, 2026**

A meeting of the ESU 01 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 5:30 PM, at ESU #1. **Present:** Josiah Boneschans, Amy Brand, Jean Dorcey, Tabitha Gilsdorf, Jim Gunsolley, AJ Johnson, Kimberly Snyder, Mrs Susan Strahm, **Absent:** Robert Hayes. **Absent:** Amy Brand.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting, as shown below, in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. The Recording Secretary maintains a list of news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Directors, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Published and/or Posted Locations:

- Wayne Herald (Thursday before meeting date)
- Central Office Front Door (Friday before meeting date)
- Sparq (Friday before meeting date)

A. Notification of Open Meetings Law

At the beginning of the meeting, President AJ Johnson announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available at the meeting site and included electronically in the E-Meeting agenda.

B. Roll Call*

Motion by Jim Gunsolley, seconded by Kimberly Snyder, to excuse the absence of Robert Hayes. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Amy Brand: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For
For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 1

C. Consent Agenda*

Motion by Jean Dorcey, seconded by Tabitha Gilsdorf, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (April 14 Minutes, April Financial Reports, May bills of \$1,278,346.81, and the Administrator's monthly report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Amy Brand: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm:

For

For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 1

C.1. Previous Minutes (copy attached)

C.2. Financial Reports*

C.2.a. Revenue Report/Treasurer's Report

C.2.b. Cash Summary/Expenditure Report

C.3. Bills for May

C.4. Administrator's Monthly Report

C.4.a. Tower School Property

Administrator Heimann informed the board of a meeting with the Wayne City Administrator regarding the the Tower School Property.

C.4.b. Walthill School Ground Breaking Ceremony

Administrator Heimann shared pictures from the Walthill School Ground Breaking Ceremony.

D. Public Comment

E. Teaching and Learning Team Report

Kellen Conroy, Director of Teaching and Learning, shared an overview of the team's services and provided an update on ESU1's continuous improvement process.

F. ESU #1 Annual Survey

Administrator Heimann shared the annual survey results and comments, which are used as one source of feedback to help identify opportunities for improving services.

G. Early Learning Connections Grant Expenditures

Motion by Mrs Susan Strahm, seconded by Kimberly Snyder, to authorize Administrator Heimann to expend Early Learning Connections grant, and the Early Learning Connections Coach Consultant grant funds as needed prior to May 31. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

H. NDE Core Services Funding Certification

Administrator Heimann shared preliminary NDE information showing ESU1's Core Service Funds will decrease for 2026-27.

I. School Support Projects*

Motion by Kimberly Snyder, seconded by Jean Dorcey, to approve the school support projects for 2026-27. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

J. Director of Special Education Job Description

Motion by Jim Gunsolley, seconded by Josiah Boneschans, to approve the Director of Special Education job description. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

K. July Board Meeting

Motion by Mrs Susan Strahm, seconded by Josiah Boneschans, to approve not holding the regularly scheduled board meeting in July. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

L. Personnel*

L.1. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action on employee contracts and personnel changes.

L.1.a. Resignation(s)

Motion by Jim Gunsolley, seconded by Kimberly Snyder, to approve the resignation of Amy Bennett, Speech Language Pathologist, effective at the end of her 2025-26 contract. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

L.1.b. New Hire(s)

L.1.c. Contract Change(s)

Motion by Jim Gunsolley, seconded by Tabitha Gilsdorf, to approve the contract change for Stuart Clark as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Amy Brand: Absent, Robert Hayes: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jean Dorcey: For, Tabitha Gilsdorf: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Kimberly Snyder: For, Mrs Susan Strahm:

For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2

L.1.d. Termination(s)

M. Adjournment

As there were no additional Agenda items, President AJ Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:39 pm.

Brittney Hampl, Recording Secretary

Susan Strahm, Board Secretary