

NORTH MUSKEGON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education
Regular Meeting
MS/HS Library
September 22, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

President, Steve Bliss, called the Regular Board meeting of the North Muskegon Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: S. Bliss, B. Scheerer, L. Potts, K. Senkow, L. Winter, and S. Burmeister

ABSENT: C. Nedeau

OTHERS

PRESENT: Curt Babcock, Kristie Hall, Jenn Schultz, Jonathan Allen, Jessica Wiseman Melanie Wymer, Tom Burmeister, Khim Rossiter, Clayton Lowe and Sandra Harryman

Consent Agenda

It was moved by L. Winter supported by K. Senkow to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion approved by all board members.

Public Comments

Sandra Harryman new to the district during last year thanked the board and commended the staff for all they do.

Committee Reports

Financial Committee – The committee met to discuss August payables and financials, credit card, budget balance sheets, bond payments. Bond updates are going well, the hvac/air handling system was not completed as planned, a new plan is being formed to get this update scheduled. The State of MI hasn't finalized their budget as of today, if the state doesn't come to a resolution on their budget by September 30, the Board of Education will plan to hold an Emergency meeting regarding borrowing due to \$0 in state funding for October by the 2nd week of October.

Presentation

Elementary – Jonathan Allen – Mr. Allen reported on the beginning of the school year starting out good. The new students seem to be adjusting well. The Intensive Resource Room that was created last year has been a huge help, so thank you to the board for that additional service. Bookworms, the new ELA program is off and running, everyone is excited. The PTO held their first meeting recently with 15 or so people in attendance, they seem to be off to a great start.

MS/HS – Jenn Schultz – Ms. Schultz reported that the beginning of the school year with all the beautiful building updates has gone well. Kids seem intentional in learning. Norse Villages is going great. All the new staff have jumped right in and become a part of our great team. Cell phone policy going well, less phones in the office, less hallway traffic and students being where they are supposed to be.

New Business

None

Board Comments

S. Burmeister – Susan commented how she enjoyed helping with the Kindergarteners on the 1st day of school.

B. Scheerer - Ben thanked Jon and Jenn for their updates, sounds like year is off to a great start. Ben is thankful and excited to see the updated Tennis Courts as work is underway.

S. Bliss - Steve thanked Jon and Jenn for their updates, Steve is hearing wonderful things about the new staff. The school is looking great with all the updates. Thank you to Curt and Chris Witham families for their donation to City of NM to get the Tennis court project moving.

L. Potts - Lisa thanked Jon and Jenn for their updates, Norse Villages sounds like some great student interactions are happening.

K. Senkow - Kim thanked Jon and Jenn on their update, lots of new staff and Elementary working with their new curriculum. Thank you everyone for staying strong for the hard stuff. Norse Villages sounds great and Kim is looking forward to hearing more.

L. Winter - Lisa thanked Jon and Jenn for their update and the exciting start of the new school year.

C. Babcock - Curt commended the staff and students for a great start to the new school year. Curt commented on how crucial the state budget is, hopefully the law makers will settle the budget by the deadline. North Muskegon will communicate the best that we can regarding the state budget to all.

Adjournment

With there being no further business before the Board of Education, Steve Bliss, President, adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristie Hall, Recording Secretary

Lisa Winter, Secretary Board of Education