

**Mason County Eastern School District
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting
June 23, 2025
High School Library**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Mickevich at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mark Mickevich, Dan Bacon, Ed Miller, Curt Stewart,
Ryan Howe, Sheryl Howe, Jake Smith

Sheryl Howe left at 8:15.

II. Also in Attendance

Superintendent Paul Shoup, Kristy Stewart, Dr. Mark Forner, Brittany Carstens.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of May 19, 2025 Regular Meeting

B. Bill Payment on the summary dated June 17, 2025, in the amount of \$308,774.19.

C. Payroll for May 9, 2025, in the amount of \$114,206.75, and May 23, 2025 in the amount of \$114,037.85.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by S. Howe, to approve the items listed on the consent agenda.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

IV. Communications to the Board

Brittany Carstens asked the Board about rumors of cancelling AC class and questions about the 2025-2026 budget.

V. Treasurer Report

Superintendent Shoup reported on General Fund and Food Service budgets.

VI. K-12 Principal Report

- 1) Cell phone use policy, homework and makeup work policy, and attendance policy

VII. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Shoup reported on:

- 1) Art Grant
- 2) State Budget Update
- 3) Heartsafe certification update
- 4) PA quote
- 5) Yearbook update
- 6) Fire alarm system - MS/HS needs to be replaced - elementary passed
- 7) Slow Down for Sammi committee update

VIII. Committee Reports

The Committee as a whole did not meet in June.

IX. Discussion and Action Items

A. 2024-2025 General Fund and Food Service Budget Amendments

Discussion was held on the 2024-2025 General Fund and Food Service Budget Amendments.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by Bacon, to approve the 2024-2025 General Fund and Food Service Budget Amendments.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,

R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

B. 2025-2026 General Fund and Food Service Proposed Budgets

Discussion was held on the 2025-2026 General Fund and Food Service Proposed Budgets.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by S. Howe, to approve the 2025-2026 General Fund and Food Service Proposed Budgets as presented by Superintendent Shoup.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

C. Activities Amended 2024-2025 Budget

Discussion was held on the Activities Amended 2024-2025 Budget.

Motion made by Stewart, supported by Bacon, to approve the Activities Amended 2024-2025 Budget.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

D. Activities Proposed 2025-2026 Budget

Discussion was held on the Activities Proposed 2025-2026 Budget.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by Stewart, to approve the Activities Proposed 2024-2025 Budget.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

E. 2025-2026 Milk Bids

Discussion was held on the 2025-2026 Milk Bids.

Motion made by S. Howe, supported by R. Howe, to approve Prairie Farms as the milk supplier for the 2025-2026 school as recommended by Food Service Manager Dana Kessel.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, S. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

F. Sinking Fund - Paving Project

Discussion was held on the Sinking Fund Paving Project bids.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by Stewart, to accept the bid from Rieth-Riley for the Sinking Fund Paving Project.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 6 to 0.

G. Addition to Agenda - Sinking Fund - Painting Walls and Ceiling in Gym and MPA

Motion made by Mickevich, supported by R. Howe, to add Sinking Fund Project painting walls and ceiling in the gym and MPA.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 6 to 0.

H. Sinking Fund - Painting Walls and Ceiling in Gym and MPA

Discussion was held on the Sinking Fund project of painting walls and ceiling in the gym and MPA.

Motion made by Bacon, supported by Stewart, to approve CLH Services for the Sinking Fund project of painting walls of gym and MPA.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller,
Stewart, R. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 6 to 0.

I. Set July 2025 Regular Board Meeting Time, Date, and Place

Motion made by Miller, supported by R. Howe, to set the July 2025 Regular Board Meeting Time, Date, and Place to Monday, July 21, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. in the MS/HS Library.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 6 to 0.

J. Personnel

Discussion was held on a candidate for Secondary ELA teacher.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by Stewart, to approve hiring Raymond VanDerVeer for the position of Secondary ELA teacher.

There was no further discussion.

Ayes: Mickevich, Bacon, Miller, Stewart,
R. Howe, Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 6 to 0.

K. Closed Session - Negotiations

A roll call vote was taken to go into Closed Session to discuss Negotiations.

Mickevich - yes; Bacon - yes; Miller - yes; Stewart - yes;

R. Howe - yes; Smith - yes

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:29 and returned to Open Session at 9:08 .

X. Other Business With Consent of the Board

There was no further business for the Board.

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, President Mickevich adjourned the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.


Edward Miller, Secretary
Board of Education
Mason County Eastern Schools

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