

**Mason County Eastern School District  
Board of Education  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
August 18, 2025  
High School Library**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Mickevich at 6:30 p.m.

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

**II. Also in Attendance**

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

**III. Consent Agenda**

A. Minutes of July 21, 2025 Regular Meeting, Closed Session, and August 12, 2025 Special Meeting

B. Bill Payment on the summary dated August 12, 2025, in the amount of \$140,962.41.

C. Payroll for July 4, 2025, in the amount of \$154,164.30, and July 18, 2025 in the amount of \$107,156.53.

Motion made by Bacon, 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 Carsten asked if we had any busing plans for when Scottville starts their next phase of construction.

**V. Treasurer Report**

Superintendent Shoup reported on General Fund and Food Service Budgets. He advised that the State should have a budget by September 30 or October 1, 2025.

**VI. K-12 Principal Report**

- 1) Possible student handbook changes regarding absenteeism and cell phone usage.
- 2) ESD Board vacancy - Ellen Kerans resigned

**VII. Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Shoup reported on:

- 1) Start of school update
- 2) Back to School Night event - Tuesday, September 9
- 3) Covenant Christian Cooperative update
- 4) Building and Grounds update
- 5) Electric bus update - coming mid-September - charging stations already installed
- 6) MDOT conducted road safety audit - should have report by September 4, 2025

**VIII. Committee Reports**

The Committee as a whole did not meet in August.

**IX. Discussion and Action Items**

**A. 2025-2026 Class Offerings**

Discussion was held on the 2025-2026 Class Offerings.

Motion made by R. Howe, supported by Bacon, to approve the 2025-2026 Class Offerings 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.

**B. Absentee/Homework Policy - Student Handbook Change**

Discussion only was held on the possible absentee/homework policy student handbook changes.

**C. Closed Session - Personnel**

A Roll Vote was taken to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel.

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

R. Howe - yes; S. Howe - yes; Smith - yes.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:37 and returned to Open Session at 8:27.

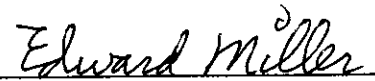
**X. Other Business With Consent of the Board**

There was no further business for the Board.

**XI. Adjournment**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



Edward Miller, Secretary

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