

**St. Ignace Area Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2024**

The Board of Education of the St. Ignace Area Schools District held a regular meeting on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 6:15pm at LaSalle High School Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: D. Davis, M. Emery , C. Halberg, J. Lipnitz, ~~R. Frazier~~

Absent: A. Garlock, R. Frazier, J. Weiss

Vice President Emery served as chair in the absence of President Weiss.

Vice President Emery appointed Trustee Lipnitz acting secretary.

Approval of minutes

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 21, 2024 and the minutes of the special meetings of September 25, 2024, September 26, 2024, and October 7, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$67,554.34. Motion passed unanimously.

Recognition of visitors.

Nathan Starkey addressed the board sharing concerns with the physical space and equipment within the district dedicated to volleyball practice and games.

Board Member Input/Committee Reports.

A verbal committee report was provided regarding the board committees noted.

- **Building/Site Improvement Committee**
- **Community Relations Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **Policy Committee**
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Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Lipnitz with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Correspondence

A note of thanks from Sherriff Wik was shared noting the usage of space and sharing support during the loss of Deputy Harrigan.

New Business

Support Staff Hire Approval

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the hire of Duane Wolfe for a bus driver position. Motion passed unanimously.

Summer Taxation Levy Resolution

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board approve the summer tax levy resolution as presented through roll call vote. Motion passed unanimously.

American Fidelity Employee Plan Agreement

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the American Fidelity FSA Employee Plan agreement as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2026 Europe Club Approval

A motion was made by Trustee Lipnitz with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board approve the 2026 Europe Club travel request as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

School Improvement Project Update

Superintendent Visnaw provided an update on our renovation project progress and timeline. There was no formal action necessary by the board.

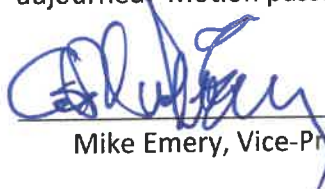
Administrative Reports

Written administrative reports were provided by all administrators noted.

- **Mrs. Farmer**
- **Mrs. Martin**
- **Mrs. Visnaw**

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Halberg with support from Treasurer Davis that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.


Mike Emery, Vice-President


Julie Lipnitz, Acting Secretary

ST. IGNACE AREA SCHOOLS
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

A general meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") of the St. Ignace Area Schools District (the "District") was held at St. Ignace Middle School Library, W429 Portage Road, St. Ignace, Michigan in said District on the 21st day of October, 2024 at 6:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Emery

Present: Members D. Davis, M. Emery, C. Halberg,
J. Lipnitz, _____, _____.

Absent: Members R. Frazier, A. Garlock, J. Weiss.

The following actions were offered by Member Davis, supported by Member Halberg and approved by a majority of the Board:

WHEREAS, Act 451 of 1976, as amended (the "Revised School Code"), provides that the District may determine by resolution to impose a summer property tax levy, which resolution by its terms may be made applicable until expressly revoked by the District;

WHEREAS, that for each year such a resolution is applicable, the District shall request, before January 1 of each year, that each city and township in which the District is located agree to collect the summer levy in that year of either the total or one-half of the District's property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it would be in the best interest of this District to impose a summer property tax levy to collect fifty percent (50%) of the school property taxes.

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to the Revised School Code, the District hereby imposes a summer property tax levy of fifty percent (50%) of school property taxes, including debt service, upon the property located within the District and continuing from year to year until expressly revoked by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and township in which the District is located a copy of this Resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis and requesting that each such city and township agree to collect the summer property tax levy for the ensuing year. Such annual forwarding of this Resolution and the request to collect the summer property tax levy shall be sent so that they are received by each governing body before January 1st of each year.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to and in accordance with Section 1613(1) of the Revised School Code, the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of the District with the governing body of each city and township in which the District is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the District's summer property tax levy that the city and township may bill under MCL 380.1611 or MCL 380.1612. Any such proposed agreement shall be brought before the Board for its approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to take such further steps and to perform such additional acts as may be necessary and proper to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.


Ayes: D. Davis, M. Emery, C. Halberg, J. Lipnitz
Nays: Ø

Motion declared adopted.

Dated: 12/16/24


Regina Frazier
Secretary, Board of Education

I, the undersigned duly qualified and acting secretary of the Board of Education of the St. Ignace Area Schools, Mackinac County, Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a general meeting held on the 21st day of October, 2024, in said District.


Regina Frazier
Secretary, Board of Education