

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2024

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, met in a Special Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon Center, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

President Christenson called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in the Boardroom.

Present: Members Ahmed, Christenson, Kehoe, McCoin, Picard, Sidhu, and Westra
Absent: None

Administrators Present: Dr. Monica L. Merritt, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Kurt Tyszkiewicz, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Ms. Beth Rayl, Chief Academic and Innovation Officer
Ms. Kimberly May, Director of State & Federal Programs/Continuous Improvement
Ms. Katie Ilijic, Director of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion
Mr. Hal Heard, Executive Director of High School Education
Mr. Anthony Ruela, Executive Director of Middle School Education
Dr. Denise Lilly, Executive Director of Elementary School Education
Ms. Stefanie Hayes, Executive Director of Special Education

Others Present: Ms. Diane Robertson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board
Mr. William Blaha, Collins & Blaha Legal Counsel
Ms. Lori Steinhauer, Collins & Blaha Legal Counsel
Ms. Daria Majewski, Collins & Blaha Legal Counsel
Mr. Josh Patterson, SVA Student Co-Chair

Member Christenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizens' Comments

- None

SPECIAL MEETING TOPIC

Board and Administration Expulsion Procedures

The Board of Education conducted a workshop with Superintendent Merritt, district administrators, and legal counsel. Mr. William Blaha, Ms. Lori Steinhauer, and Ms. Daria Majewski, legal counsel from Collins and Blaha, provided essential training and updates on student discipline policies. The session included a comprehensive overview of discipline philosophy, changes to the school code, restorative justice principles, and disciplinary procedures for general and special education students.

Adjournment

President Christenson adjourned the Special Meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Judy Westra
Secretary, Board of Education