
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
Redford Union Schools
August 10, 2026

A Regular meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held on August 10, 2026, at MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Entrance on Curtis – Door #3)

Regular Meeting
8/10/2026

Call to Order:

Call to Order

President Pridemore called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Roll Call:

Roll Call:

Present: Bailey, Dean, Johnson (Late 6:20 PM), Martin, Osowski

Absent: Miller and Pridemore

Pledge of Allegiance:

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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Remarks:

President's Remarks

President Pridemore asked that everyone please place their cell phones on silent.

Adoption of Agenda:

**Adoption of
Agenda**

It was Moved by Member Osowski, Seconded by Member Martin, to adopt the Agenda of August 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Yes: 4_ No: 0 Motion: Carried

Call to the Audience: Public Participation Regarding Agenda Items

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Participation Regarding Agenda
Items**

None.

Presentation(s):**Presentation(s)**

None.

Interim Superintendent Communication**Interim Superintendent
Communication**

Interim Superintendent Judy Nachman shared news about an incident that took place with the two children on the e-bikes that were hit. Both attend schools in our District. We have a rising seventh grader. He is the young man who is currently in ICU, and his older sister, who is a rising 10th grader, also had some injuries, not quite as severe. Interim Superintendent Nachman will provide the information to the Board. She asked that they keep this family in their thoughts. The family was in contact with the school last night. Interim Superintendent Nachman did reach out to them today, but she did not get through to anybody. She will reach out again tomorrow to see what kind of help, if any, the district can provide.

Communications Received by The Board Secretary:**Communications Received by
the Board Secretary**

None.

Interim Chief Financial Officer Communication:**Interim Chief Financial Officer
Communication**

None.

**Executive Director of Human Resources and Labor Relations
Communications:****Executive Director of Human
Resources and Labor Relations
Communications**

Interim Superintendent Nachman shared that all classroom positions were filled except one alternative-education teaching vacancy. She received the resignation from that person today. The District will be looking to fill that position. The principals and secretaries return to work on Monday. Our teachers will return to work on the 25th, and our students will return the following Monday, August 31.

Executive Director of Curriculum & Technology Communications:**Executive Director Of
Curriculum & Technology
Communications**

The Executive Director of Curriculum & Technology Kim Crenshaw shared information about summer school which ended August 7th. There will be a presentation at a near future meeting.

Mrs. Crenshaw also gave an update on the Bond project pertaining to the Stuckey demolition. Brad Anderson of The Christman Company and Jim Steiner of Plante Moran Realpoint were present to help with the discussion. Stuckey is totally torn down. The demolition uncovered footings extending approximately seven feet instead of four feet. There was also a lot of water. A decision kind of came in order to keep the process moving, whether or not they were going to remove all the way down to the bottom of the seven feet of the footings, or only remove up to four feet. The District consulted with the attorney, and he said that if we go to four feet, we will be good to go. That information must be disclosed if the property is sold. Their recommendation to the team right now was to continue with getting the ground clear, getting everything filled in because it would have cost the District \$100,000 - \$150,000. To take everything out, they would have to remove all the concrete down to seven feet. With the groundwater situation, they would have to get into de-watering the area and then backfilling all of that with engineered fill. There is a substantial amount of work that is required, and that leads to additional cost. They will have a detailed drawing showing the location of the footings that will remain in place, and that can be shared with a potential buyer, so he knows what he's going to be dealing with should he purchase the property. Mr. Steiner has requested that he, Mrs. Nachman, Mrs. Crenshaw, and Mr. Tomasaitis the Director Buildings, Grounds, Transportation & Security have another meeting with the District's attorney, just to be sure. If the final confirmation from the attorney is taken care of in the next day or two, they can probably move forward with the project.

Depending on when the meeting is scheduled, the ad-hoc committee will be notified and if it's virtual, they can join.

There were questions and answers.

Executive Director of Student Services Communications**Executive Director
of Student
Services Communications**

Tamaran Dillard, Executive Director of Student Services, was not in attendance. She was at the Michigan Special Education Conference.

Future Workshop Topic(s):

- 2025 Capital Bond Project Update – Cont’d Monthly
- Strategic Planning – Cont’d (MASB)
- Board Policies (Cont’d) – July 2026
- On Boarding (Cont’d) – July 2026
- MICIP Report Presentation – July 2026
- How students are being prepared for leadership – Date TBD
- Use of the Old Schoolhouse – Date TBD
- Board Norms and Protocols – Date TBD (MASB)
- Office Referrals and Suspension Statistics Update - Date TBD
- Board Training on Diligent Community (Board Agenda) – Date TBD
- Superintendent Search (MASB) – Date TBD
- Other Topics

Future Workshop Topic(s):**Consent Agenda:**

It was Moved by Member Osowski and Seconded by Member Martin

Waived the reading and approved July 6, 2026, Organizational Meeting Minutes of Redford Union Board of Education as presented.

Waived the reading and approved July 6, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes of Redford Union Board of Education as presented.

Approved payment of \$2,325,242.28 for checks dated 7/1/2026 – 7/31/2026.

Approved ACH Transfers for the month of July 2026 in the amount of (\$3,539,973.01).

Approved **NEW HIRES: Certified:**

- Shelia Jordan/Secretary/RUJHS/Effective 8/17/2026
- Heidi Owens-Golfin/School Social Worker/Secondary Campus/Effective 8/25/2026
- Jiana Hunter/Choir Teacher/Secondary Campus/Effective 8/25/2026

Approved **NEW HIRES: Non-Certified:**

- Jennifer Voors/Educational Assistant/Keeler Center/Effective 8/25/2026

Approved **SEPARATIONS:**

- Janet Lyons/Special Education Teacher/Hilbert Elementary/Effective 6/30/2026
- Katrina McKay/Math Teacher/RUHS/Effective 8/31/2026

Consent Agenda:

**July 6, 2026
Organizational Meeting
Minutes**

**July 6, 2026, Regular
Meeting Minutes**

**Check Register
7/1/2026 – 7/31/2026**

**ACH Transfers
July 2026**

Shelia Jordan

Heidi Owens

Jiana Hunter

Jennifer Voors

Janet Lyons

Katrina McKay

The Board had a discussion.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented:

Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Call to the Audience: Public Participation Regarding Non-Agenda Items

Call to the Audience

Shanna Blue addressed the Board regarding her daughter's health and lunch option on Thursdays.

Interim Superintendent Nachman will speak with the necessary people to work out a plan. These individuals include Ms. Hartman, the Director of Food Services; Nurse Jerry Wagoner; Principal Jill Burch; and Miles Tomasaitis, Director of Buildings, Grounds, Transportation & Security. She will also ask Ms. Hartman to reach out to Mrs. Blue.

Action Items:

Action Items

Special Consideration Non-Consent Agenda Action Item(s):

2026 MASB Call For Delegates And Alternates

**2026 MASB Call
for Delegates
and Alternates**

Moved by Member Johnson, Seconded by Member Martin, that the Board of Education nominate, approve and certify no more than two (2) Delegates and two (2) Alternates to serve as representatives for the Redford Union Schools Board of Education. This is based on the student count (size) of the District.

The Board had a discussion.

The members will have to be certified by October 1, 2026.

There was a motion by Osowski and Seconded Johnson to table this discussion until a full Board seat is present. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2026.

ROLL CALL

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: Yes, M. Johnson: Yes, L. Martin: Yes,
L. Miller: ABS, J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore ABS

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Items Removed from Consent Agenda:**Items Removed from
Consent Agenda**

None.

Interim Superintendent's Remarks**Interim Superintendent's
Remarks**

None.

Board of Education Communication/Discussion**Board of Education
Communication/
Discussion**

The Board's packet included a draft flyer announcing the Board vacancy. The Board was requested to provide an application deadline date, as well as a date for interviewing candidates.

Trustee Johson, resigned from her seat effective August 10, 2026. She will submit a resignation letter tomorrow. Her resignation was prompted by her acceptance of a position at Hilbert Elementary as a full-time social worker.

There was a motion by Martin, Seconded by Baily to accept the resignation of Megan Johnson.

ROLL CALL

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: Yes, M. Johnson: Abstain, L. Martin: Yes,

L. Miller: ABS, J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore ABS

Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Trustee Bailey questioned the reason garnishments are listed on the check register.

Interim Superintendent Nachman will check with Maria Gistingier, the Interim Chief Financial Officer.

Mrs. Blue was asked additional questions.

Trustee Bailey also shared information about a diagram or chart he found on another district's website. The diagram showed how to navigate their chain of commands for information or matters that may need to be addressed prior to contacting the Board of Education. Trustee Bailey plans to send this information to Interim Superintendent Nachman so she can review the approach they used.

The Board revisited the Board vacancy flyer.

The Board agreed to have the application deadline of August 21, 2026. The Board has a scheduled Workshop on August 25, 2026, at 6:00 PM. The interviews for the vacant seat will immediately follow the workshop.

As of now, Jeff Osowski is the sole candidate running for a Board seat in the upcoming November 2026 election. Trustee Bailey has proposed advertising for the current temporary vacancy and the other full-term seat. Interested individuals still can register as write-in candidates for the full-term seat. To do so, they must visit the Redford Township Clerk's Office to complete their registration.

The Board made a correction to the schedule of the interviews.

The Board agreed to have the application deadline of August 21, 2026. A Special Meeting for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the vacancy will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, at 6:00 PM at MacGowan School, with the scheduled Board Workshop immediately following.

Board President Lorna Dean shared that she attended the MASB's President's Workshop 1 & 2 which was a two-day event in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She absorbed a lot of information as the new board president, and it was awesome. She thanked everyone for being patience with her.

Future Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, August 25, 2026, Board Workshop – 6:00 PM
MacGowan School, (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Use entrance on Curtis – Door # 3)

Monday, September 14, 2026, Regular Meeting – 6:00 PM
MacGowan School, (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Use entrance on Curtis – Door # 3)

Future Meeting Dates

Adjournment:

It was Moved by Member Osowski, Seconded by Member Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

Evelyn Pridemore
Secretary
Redford Union Schools
Board of Education