Fowlerville Community Schools

Board Of Education-Regular Board Meeting/Organizational Meeting
July 26, 2026 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Amy Sova, at 7:01 p.m. in the Fowlerville Junior High School Auditorium.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Members Present: Mrs. Susan Charron, Mrs. Danielle DeVries, Mrs. Diana Dombrowski, Mr. Robert Hinton, Mr. John Belcher, Mrs. Lindsey Redinger, and Mrs. Amy Sova

Members Absent: None

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Redinger, to approve the Consent Agenda, including the Superintendent's Personnel Report, Payables, and the Board Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2026.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Action Items – July Fiscal Year Organizational Meeting

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Charron, to approve the 2026–2027 Regular Board of Education Meeting Calendar as recommended by the administration and presented in Appendix A.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the 2026–2027 Board Subcommittee Meeting Calendar as recommended by the administration and presented in Appendix A.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the depositories for Fowlerville Community Schools' funds and banking transactions for the 2026–2027 fiscal year as follows:

Bank of Ann Arbor

- Collins Memorial
- Debt Retirement
- Energy Bond Savings
- Food Service
- General Fund Checking
- General Fund Savings
- Payroll
- Student Activity Checking
- Student Activity Savings
- Trust Account – Scholarships
- VanGorder Certificate of Deposit

Argent Institutional Trust

- Acts as agent to make debt service payments

Michigan CLASS

- 2022 Bond Funds

UMB (United Missouri Bank)

- 2022 Bond Funds

Roll Call Vote

- Mr. John Belcher – Aye
- Mrs. Susan Charron – Aye
- Mrs. Danielle DeVries – Aye
- Mrs. Diana Dombrowski – Aye
- Mr. Robert Hinton – Aye
- Mrs. Lindsey Redinger – Aye
- Mrs. Amy Sova – Aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the administration's recommendation that all checks drawn against authorized checking accounts in the following funds be signed by the Board Treasurer and countersigned by the Superintendent:

- General Fund
- Payroll
- Student Accounts

Roll Call Vote

- Mr. John Belcher – Aye
- Mrs. Susan Charron – Aye
- Mrs. Danielle DeVries – Aye

- Mrs. Diana Dombrowski – Aye
- Mr. Robert Hinton – Aye
- Mrs. Lindsey Redinger – Aye
- Mrs. Amy Sova – Aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the administration's recommendation authorizing the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, or Chief Financial Officer to invest temporary excess cash on behalf of Fowlerville Community Schools and to liquidate those investments by depositing the proceeds into authorized school accounts.

Roll Call Vote

- Mr. John Belcher – Aye
- Mrs. Susan Charron – Aye
- Mrs. Danielle DeVries – Aye
- Mrs. Diana Dombrowski – Aye
- Mr. Robert Hinton – Aye
- Mrs. Lindsey Redinger – Aye
- Mrs. Amy Sova – Aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the recommendation that the Superintendent, or his designee, be designated as the person responsible for posting Board of Education meeting notices as required by law.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve setting the annual subscription fee for the mailing of Board schedules and notices at $50.00. Board packet charges for non-board members shall be $0.10 per page, plus postage and handling.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the recommendation to retain Maner Costerisan Certified Public Accountants as the District's auditors and Thrun Law Firm as legal counsel for the 2026–2027 school year.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Redinger, supported by Mr. Belcher, to approve the 2026–2027 Out-of-State and Overnight Field Trip List as presented in Appendix B.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the 2026–2027 Organizational Chart as presented in Appendix C.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to approve the Board-Superintendent Operating Norms for the 2026–2027 school year as presented in Appendix D.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Reports / Recognition

Finance Committee Report – July 10, 2026

Presented by Mr. John Belcher

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, to approve the 2026–2027 School Bond Loan Application as presented in Appendix E.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Personnel Committee Report – July 21, 2026

Presented by Mrs. Susan Charron

Curriculum & Technology Committee Report – July 21, 2026

Presented by Mr. Robert Hinton

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mr. Matt Stuard reminded residents to vote and noted that the millage proposal does not affect a taxpayer's primary residence.

Mr. Stuard also provided updates on:

- District finances
- Enrollment stabilization efforts
- At-Risk Funding (Section 31a), noting the District will no longer receive these funds
- Mental Health Funding (Section 31aa), indicating the District expects to receive grant funding but is awaiting clarification on several requirements

Upcoming Events

- July 29, 2026 – Kids Day at the Fowlerville Family Fair
- August 4, 2026 – Election Day
- August 6, 2026 – Backpack Giveaway & Mobile Dentist
- August 19, 2026 – K–12 Open House (4:30–6:30 p.m.) and Information Fair (4:30–7:30 p.m.)
- August 24, 2026 – First Day of School

Additional updates included:

- Hiring of social workers for Fowlerville Junior High School and the elementary buildings.
- The water main project is awaiting approval from the Village of Fowlerville and EGLE, with hopes that work will be completed before the first day of school.
- The Chief Financial Officer search continues. Two candidates have been interviewed, and Baker Tilly will be utilized in the interim.

Call to the Public

One member of the public addressed the Board.

New Business / Presentations

None.

Old Business

None.

Introduction of Other Matters by Members of the Board

Mrs. Sova encouraged the community to attend and enjoy the Fowlerville Family Fair.

Mr. Belcher thanked Mr. McKay for his service as Chief Financial Officer during the past year.

Introduction of Other Matters by the Superintendent

None.

Information

The next Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Monday, August 24, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fowlerville Junior High School Auditorium.

Closed Session

Purpose: Negotiations

Motion by Mr. Hinton, supported by Mrs. Charron, to enter into Closed Session.

Ayes: All
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, to approve the Closed Session minutes.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Charron, supported by Mrs. DeVries, to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Ayes: 7
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Susan Charron, Secretary
Board of Education
Fowlerville Community Schools

8/24/26
Date