



# Kalkaska Public Schools

*Board of Education Regular Meeting – MINUTES  
Monday, November 17, 2025*


*Kalkaska Public School  
315 South Coral Street  
Kalkaska, MI 49646  
5:30 p.m.*

Members Present: Steve Ordway, Mary Scobey, Wendy Watson, Dr. Richard Hodgman, Chase Stevenson and Rachael Birgy

Staff Present: Superintendent, Rick Heitmeyer, Director of Business Services, Jeffrey Scroggins, Human Resource Director, David Alan Tucker, Principals: Staci Short, Ryan Moore and Laura Gehman, Dean of Students, Kevin Malbouef and Executive Administrative Assistant, Cari Jo Roberts

Others Present: 12

<b>1. Call to Order</b>	
	The meeting was called to order by Rachael Birgy, at 5:31 p.m.
<b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b>	
<b>3. Approval of/Amendment to the Agenda</b>	
	Motion by Chase Stevenson, support by Wendy Watson, to approve the agenda as presented.  Motion Carried 6 to 0.
<b>4. Consent Agenda Items</b>	
	Motion by Mary Scobey, support by Dr. Richard Hodgman, to approve the following Consent Agenda Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minutes from the regular meeting on October 20, 2025, as presented</li><li>• Payment of General, Bond and Athletic fund bills, as presented</li><li>• Hiring of staff (pending cleared background checks):  <i>Ancillary Staff:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cole McKenzie, Powerlifting Coach</li><li>• Josh Wakefield, Varsity Girls' Soccer Coach</li><li>• Carrie Ingersoll, Food Service Assistant</li><li>• Kathryn White, Instructional Paraprofessional</li></ul></li></ul> Motion Carried 6 to 0.
<b>5. Student / Staff Recognition</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kalkaska Upper Elementary Principal Mr. Ryan Moore recognizing Title Teacher Ali Bridson and students Matthias Whitney and Tessa Parritt</li></ul>
<b>6. Public Communication</b>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>David Stockford</li> </ul>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Superintendent Update</b> (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Agents for Change Grant</i> Awardee, Kdg Teacher, Angela Hillier (4) (5) (6) <i>INFORMATION IN PACKET</i></li> <li>Teach!Michigan New York City Supe Training Update (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) <i>INFORMATION IN PACKET</i> (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)</li> <li>Huge and sad shout out to Mr. Bryan Flory from MDHHS (4) (5) <i>INFORMATION IN PACKET</i></li> <li>Blue Book Ad (4) (5) <i>INFORMATION IN PACKET</i></li> <li>Food Service and Transportation Supervisors Update (4) (5) (6)</li> <li>Reading Interventionist at KMS (1) (2) (3) (6)</li> <li>Winter sports beginning soon (4) (5)</li> <li>Homeschool Drops (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)</li> <li>Regional Staff Development Day (RSDD) November 4, 2025 (1) (2) (3)</li> <li>KHS “Practice” Lockdown (4) (5)</li> <li>Thrun Law 504 Training (2) (5)</li> <li>Student (KAP) in-person data, Staci Short (2) (4)</li> </ul>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Discussion Items</b>
	a. Naming of the Kalkaska Softball Complex
	b. 31aa funding – <i>(Tabled until special Board meeting on Monday, November 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.)</i>
	c. Building Level Reports
<b>9.</b>	<b>Blazer Board Briefs</b>
	<b>Resignations and Retirements:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>n/a</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>
	<p>Motion by Wendy Watson, support by Steve Ordway, to adjourn.</p> <p>Motion Carried 6 to 0.</p> <p>Time adjourned: 6:21 p.m.</p>