



**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
ORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BOARDROOM  
JANUARY 27, 2025**

**MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order** – Senior ranking board member, Barber Garcia, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call** – Secretary, Isic, called the roll.

Present: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Isic, Kohn, Morris, Nichols  
Absent: None

**4. Election of Officers**

**a. President - Call for nominations:**

Nomination for Morris by Brandow.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Kohn, Morris, Nichols  
Nays: Isic

President elected: Morris

***The newly elected President chaired the remainder of the meeting.***

**b. Vice-President - Call for nominations:**

Nomination for Brandow by Nichols.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Isic, Kohn, Morris, Nichols  
Nays: None

Vice-President elected: Brandow

**c. Secretary - Call for nominations:**

Nomination for Isic by Kohn.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Isic, Kohn, Morris, Nichols

Nays: None

Secretary elected: Isic

***The newly elected Secretary recorded minutes for the remainder of the meeting.***

**d. Treasurer - Call for nominations:**

Nomination for Barber Garcia by Morris.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Isic, Kohn, Morris, Nichols

Nays: None

Treasurer elected: Barber Garcia

**5. Recognition**

- a. Board Member Appreciation Month

**6. Student Representative** - No report was given.

**7. Public Comment** - There were no public comments.

**8. Consent Agenda**

- a. Motion by Barber Garica and supported by Brandow, that the board approves the consent agenda as presented:
  - 1. December 16, 2024 Regular Minutes
  - 2. December 16, 2024 Closed Session Minutes
  - 3. December 2024 Payables
  - 4. January 2025 Personnel Report
  - 5. Anticipated Overnight Trips for 2025
  - 6. Legal Firms that may be retained, as needed:
    - a. Clark Hill, PLC
    - b. Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey
    - c. Thrun Law Firm, P.C.
  - 7. Authorize the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer or their designees to sign checks, contracts, agreements and purchase orders.

8. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer or their designee as the District's Electronic Transfer Officer.
9. Authorize the Superintendent or designee to assume specified responsibilities of the Board Secretary.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Isic, Kohn, Morris, Nichols  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

## **9. Superintendent Report**

- a. Construction Update - Information on current bond projects was shared, highlighting the progress or upcoming phases of construction. A tour of the new Dutton Elementary is being scheduled for the Board of Education.
- b. Other Items - Several highlights were shared including a 2024 Consumers Energy Rebate, the Choralaires performance, the Caledonia Youth Theatre performance of Beauty and the Beast, and a presentation on the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal.

## **10. Discussion Items, Board Consideration, 01/27/25**

- a. 2025 Regular Board Meeting Schedule - A list of dates was provided for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year.

## **11. Action Items**

- a. Authorize Financial Institutions:
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board authorize the use of United Bank, Fifth Third Bank and Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus.

Ayes: Brandow, Barber Garcia, Collins, Isic, Morris, Nichols  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Kohn  
Motion Carried.

- b. 2025 Board Meeting Schedule
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board adopt the 2025 Regular Schedule as proposed.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Collins, Brandow, Nichols, Kohn, Morris, Isic  
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

- c. Resolution Calling Non-Homestead Millage Renewal Election (May 2025)
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board adopt the Option 2 resolution calling for a Special Election on May 6, 2025.

Ayes: Isic, Barber Garcia, Brandow, Collins, Kohn, Nichols, Morris

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**12. Discussion Items - Anticipated Board Consideration, 02/24/25**

- a. School Bus Purchase - The purchase of these school buses and vans continues to bring the transportation fleet up to date and maintain a safe, efficient, and reliable fleet of student transportation vehicles.
- b. Bond 2023 - Paris Ridge Playground - One of the 2023 bond categories is dedicated to playground improvement at the Paris Ridge Elementary School.
- c. 2025 Technology Bond Projects - This Technology Bid Package addresses multiple areas of need. Each area was identified in either the 2020 or 2023 bond initiatives.
- d. Schools of Choice Resolution - The district is required to vote annually to determine participation in this program.

**13. Board Comments**

- a. Committee Structure Discussion - The board will meet as a Committee of the Whole the week before the regular meeting.
- b. Thank you from new board member.

**14. Adjournment**

- a. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Nichols to adjourn at 7:12 p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 27th day of January 2025, and that said approved minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 3rd day of March 2025.

**Katie Isic, Secretary**  
**Board of Education**