HOLDEN R-III
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 14, 2026
6:02 P.M.

Facility Tour: **The Holden School Board met at 5:00 p.m. at the Elementary School for the Facilities Tour of the District with Dr. Christy Harrison. Board members present were Ann Cates, Nathan Haun, Debbie Doney and Jaime Schutte.**

Call to Order: **The meeting was called to order by President Ann Cates at 6:02 p.m. in the Middle School library.**

Roll Call: **Four members were physically present. Sarah Abel, Bobby Zimmer and Georgia Jarman were not present.**

Board Norms: **The Board reviewed their norms.**

Agenda: **A motion by Nathan Haun, second by Jaime Schutte to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

Consent Agenda: **A motion by Nathan Haun, second by Debbie Doney to approve the consent agenda which included: 1) Minutes from the August 10th & 13th meetings; 2) Payment of Bills and Financial Statement; and 3) Sub List Changes. Motion carried 4-0.**

Communications: **None.**

Epic Eagle Award: **Dr. Harrison presented the Epic Eagle Award to Tracy Taylor, ECSE Teacher and Jamie Thieman, owner of Jamie's Place. Each month, nominations will be gathered for the Epic Eagle. The Holden School Board will recognize a staff member, community member and student each month who have made a positive impact on the district.**

Reports:

1. **Superintendent's Report—Dr. Christy Harrison shared some Back To School highlights which included staff convocations, Back to School Night, classroom activities, fall sports and the first day of school. She also shared 2026 MAP scores for the district. Dr. Harrison highlighted the successes for each subject and grade level and ways the district is working on areas of improvement. (Report attached to minutes.)**

2. **Annual Food Service Report - Tina Simmons, OPAA Food Service Manager, presented an overview of breakfast, lunch and the CACFP meal for each building. Her report included the number of meals served this school year and upcoming new menu items. (Report attached to minutes.)**

3. **Annual Transportation Report – Amanda Lozar, EccoRide Terminal Manager, gave an overview of the district transportation usage for the 2025-26 school year, which included morning and afternoon riders, SPED routes, sports activities and trips. (Report attached to minutes.)**

4. **Series 2026 General Obligation Report – Brad Wegman, LJ Hart& Company, presented details on the resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of the Series 2026 General Refunding Bonds for the Holden R-III School District. (Report attached to minutes.)**

Old Business: **None.**

New Business:

1. **Series 2026 Resolution Approval – A MOTION BY NATHAN HAUN, SECOND BY DEBBIE DONEY** AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF NOT TO EXCEED $8,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2026 (MISSOURI DIRECT DEPOSIT PROGRAM), OF HOLDEN R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON COUNTY, MISSOURI FOR THE PURPOSE OF, TOGETHER WITH OTHER AVAILABLE DISTRICT FUNDS, REDEEMING $8,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2022 (MISSOURI DIRECT

DEPOSIT PROGRAM); PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN A DIRECT DEPOSIT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO SUPPORT PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FINAL TERMS COMMITTEE AND FIXING THE TIME WHEN THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE. **MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

2. **Transportation Route Approval – A motion by Jaime Schutte, second by Nathan Haun, to approve the 2026-27 Transportation Route schedule as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

3. **Professional Development Plan – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to approve the 2026-27 Professional Development Plan as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

4. **Board Perpetual Calendar – A motion by Nathan Haun, second by Jaime Schutte to accept the 2026-27 Perpetual Calendar schedule as presented. Motion carried 4-0**

5. **Sports Lab/Athletic Trainer MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept Athletic Training MOU for Sports Lab, Odessa, MO. Motion carried 4-0.**

6. **Platinum Abilities MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept the MOU with Platinum Abilities for speech, OT & PT services. Motion carried 4-0.**

7. **MVCC/Head Start MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept MOU for the Missouri Valley Community Action Agency/Head Start. Motion carried 4-0.**

8. **WMMC MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept the MOU with Warrensburg Missouri Medical Center for partnership with the Biomedical classes at Holden High School. Motion carried 4-0.**

9. **St. Luke's Medical Center MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept the MOU with St. Luke's Medical Center for partnership with the Biomedical classes at Holden High School. Motion carried 4-0.**

10. **CCVI MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept the MOU with Children's Center for the Visually Impaired for the 2026-27 school year for student services. Motion carried 4-0.**

11. **Compass Health MOU Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Debbie Doney to accept the MOU with Compass Health to provide services and resources to the Holden R-III School District for the 2026-27 school year. Motion carried 4-0.**

12. **Additional Employment Position Approval – A motion by Nathan Haun, second Jaime Schutte to accept additional employment position of Elementary Noon Duty Aide/Lunchroom Monitor for the 2026-27 school year. Motion carried 4-0.**

Policy Review:

1. **MSBA Board Policy Review – Section B. No action required.**

2. **MSBA Board Policy IKF Update. A motion by Nathan Haun, second by Jaime Schutte, to accept the updates to Board Policy IKF as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

3. **MSBA Board Policy Update 2026B – 1st Reading. No action required.**

4. **MSBA Board Policy Review EHB – Board members reviewed and discussed MSBA Board Policy EHB regarding the districts technology usage policy and the continuation of internet content filters (Lightspeed). A motion by Ann Cates, second Debbie Doney to approve board policy EHB as presented and continue the policies and procedure that are currently in place. Motion carried 4-0.**

Miscellaneous:

1. **Board President Updates— Board President Ann Cates updated the Board on the October 12th board meeting agenda items. She informed the board on the timeline for the Board Self Evaluation process with MSBA and gave the highlights from Georgia Jarman about the Regional Meeting she attended in August.**

2. **MSBA Fall Conference – October 22-24, Kansas City, MO.**

Executive Session: **A motion by Debbie Doney, second by Nathan Haun to hold an executive session as per section 610.022 following the October 12, 2026 meeting. After roll call vote, motion carried 4-0.**

A motion by Nathan Haun, second by Debbie Doney to hold an executive session as per section 610.021 following tonight's meeting regarding (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting particular employees. After roll call vote, motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: **A motion by Jaime Schutte, second by Debbie Doney to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.**

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Tracy Shumate, Secretary Ann Cates, President