

Board of Education Meeting

Liberty School Board Room
February 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM



AGENDA

Mission

We, the Saline Area Schools, will equip all students with the knowledge, technological proficiency, and personal skills necessary to succeed in an increasingly complex society. We expect that our students, staff, and the Saline Community will share in these responsibilities.

OPENING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A member of the public may address the Board briefly, for up to three minutes, or request to be scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting. Please note that students will be given priority to speak on any topic. The first public participation portion of the meeting will be limited to one-half hour (30 minutes) normally and limited to agenda items. A second public participation portion will be offered at the end of the agenda to allow for any other comment.

Individuals addressing the Board should take into consideration the rules of common courtesy. The public participation portion of the meeting cannot be used to make personal attacks against a Board Member, District Employee, or Student. Our board Secretary will hold up a yellow card indicating 30 seconds remaining.

STUDENTS

OTHER PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS

4. **RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC COMMENT**

AGENDA

5. **REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

(Items may be added or deleted from the meeting agenda, and/or the order of items may be changed, at the request of an individual Board member or the Superintendent. The agendas must be approved before proceeding further.)

RECOMMENDED MOTION . . . move to approve the agenda as printed or revised.

6. **STUDENT SHOWCASE**

SMS Yearbook Class *(Advisor, David Reeves)*

Presenters: Faith Houston, Avery Carroll, Avery Michowski, Sarah Yousif, Neil Sachdeva, Suhani Dalela, Ava Mitton, Sarah Marcinkiewicz, Katherine Mullins, Vedulasre Sankari, Lily Warren

7. **SCHEDULED REPORT**

A. District Enrollment and School of Choice

Presenters: Dr. Stephen Laatsch, Superintendent

B. SEAB Survey Results

Presenters: Kristen Hoffman-Peavler, Michelle Szczechowicz

8. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. RECOMMENDED MOTION ... move to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2023, Closed Session for the purposes of: (1) Collective Bargaining under 8(c) and (2) for the purpose to consider purchase or lease of real property under 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act.

B. RECOMMENDED MOTION . . . to adopt the Proposed 2022-23 General Fund Budget Amendment as submitted by Assistant Superintendent Owsley.

C. RECOMMENDED MOTION ... to adopt the resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000.00) 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series I as submitted by Assistant Superintendent Owsley.

D. RECOMMENDED MOTION ... to approve School of Choice for the 2023/24 school year as recommended by Superintendent Laatsch.

9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Board Policy Committee Update

Presenter, Jenny Miller, Chair

10. **ADMINISTRATION / BOARD UPDATES**

11. **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda is listed in this agenda and will not be read aloud. The motion noted will allow for the authorization of all listed items, without discussion, unless a member of the Board requests that any one or all be considered individually.

RECOMMENDED MOTION . . . move to authorize the Consent Agenda as printed / amended:

- A. **Approval** of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2023
- B. **Approval** of the Board Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2023
- C. **Approval of Payment** of the General Fund Accounts Payable of February 28, 2023, in the amount of \$2,264,261.66
- D. **Approval of Payment** of Bond Fund Series III Accounts Payable of February 28, 2023, in the amount of \$173,158.85
- E. **Receive and File** 23/24 SAS District Calendar
- F. **Receive and File** Human Resources Report

CLOSING

12. **ITEMS SCHEDULED ON NEXT AGENDA**

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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STUDENTS

OTHER PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS

14. **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on March 21, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

15. CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDED MOTION to enter Closed Session of the Board of Education at _____ PM, with the intent to re-enter Open Session at _____ PM, for the purposes of (1) consider purchase or lease of real property under 8(d) and (2) consider a confidential attorney-client communication pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meeting Act.

This requires a two-thirds roll call vote of elected or appointed members.

Roll Call Vote

Austin

Estep

Gerbe

Gold

Miller

Steben

Absent (McVey)

16. RE-ENTER OPEN SESSION

RECOMMENDED MOTION to re-enter Open Session of the Regular Board of Education Meeting at _____ PM.

15. ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDED MOTION ... move to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting of February 28, 2023, at _____ PM.

GENERAL FUND

FY23 Budget Amendement

Feburary 28, 2022

	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Feb Amend Budget	Feb 2023 Estimate	Feb 2023 Estimate	Feb 2023 Estimate
General Fund Revenue								
Local Sources	\$7,963,283	\$8,209,605	\$8,073,170	\$8,255,265	9,041,855	8,675,212	8,675,212	8,675,212
Intermediate Sources	8,722,672	9,429,154	9,474,515	9,237,842	10,310,242	10,618,654	10,936,319	11,263,513
State Sources	44,056,045	43,714,480	44,711,317	45,461,243	49,470,557	51,055,399	50,811,374	50,182,228
State (One-Time)			553,020	1,481,566	500,000	631,558		
Federal Sources (ongoing)	1,532,051	1,345,338	1,485,733	1,427,819	1,523,903	1,523,903	1,523,903	1,523,903
Federal (One-Time)		76,777	1,886,107	2,829,897	2,740,803	194,874		
Transfers In	300,000	0	0	250,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Total Revenue	62,574,052	62,775,354	66,183,862	68,943,632	73,887,360	72,999,600	72,246,808	71,944,856
General Fund Expenditures								
Basic Program	29,558,792	29,194,190	28,915,180	30,978,938	31,556,130	31,245,019	31,889,618	32,558,291
Added Needs	9,031,174	8,688,225	8,198,954	10,599,923	11,569,184	12,027,265	11,728,867	12,054,098
Pupil Support	7,132,741	7,713,150	7,714,101	8,793,425	8,985,752	9,109,801	9,290,796	9,442,759
Instructional Staff Services	2,606,911	2,382,411	2,243,911	2,446,037	2,808,175	2,871,298	2,925,971	2,983,519
General Administrative	775,962	616,738	607,277	648,116	719,447	720,328	734,125	748,574
School Administration	3,182,824	3,168,231	3,124,847	3,507,550	3,864,018	3,843,603	3,810,218	3,923,882
Business Services	880,602	877,849	778,010	766,390	947,132	969,572	1,022,371	1,056,379
Maintenance & Operations	4,574,956	4,356,608	4,994,096	5,359,643	6,571,559	6,793,962	6,977,596	7,283,115
Transportation	1,753,178	1,640,840	1,485,401	1,707,848	1,996,962	2,124,518	2,180,114	2,237,473
District Information	235,856	155,610	1,547	66,961	196,230	202,410	208,460	214,693
Human Resources	856,058	718,826	678,029	687,649	783,414	809,078	834,694	861,270
Technology Support	640,131	632,524	636,365	794,394	933,021	960,548	988,151	1,016,923
Athletics	1,263,112	1,138,601	1,162,629	1,336,756	1,493,318	1,510,970	1,537,402	1,564,896
Community Services	24,369	24,636	14,965	145,989	71,879	72,013	72,153	72,300
Other	7,481	40,400	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Transfers Out	62,257	165,594	300,000	300,000	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	62,586,403	61,514,434	60,875,312	68,159,619	72,516,221	73,280,385	74,220,536	76,038,172
Year Net [Rev Over/(Under) Exp]	(\$12,351)	\$1,260,919	\$5,308,550	\$784,013	\$1,371,139	(\$280,785)	(\$1,973,728)	(\$4,093,316)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	\$2,898,369	\$2,886,017	\$4,146,936	\$9,455,486	\$10,239,499	\$11,610,638	\$11,329,853	\$9,356,125
Fund Balance End of Year	\$2,886,017	\$4,146,936	\$9,455,486	\$10,239,499	\$11,610,638	\$11,329,853	\$9,356,125	\$5,262,809
% of Unrestricted Rev (per MI Treasury)	5.7%	8.2%	18.6%	20.1%	21.0%	19.9%	16.4%	9.3%
% of Total Expenditures	4.6%	6.7%	15.5%	15.0%	16.0%	15.5%	12.6%	6.9%

Saline Area Schools, Washtenaw County, Michigan (the “Issuer”)

A regular meeting of the board of education of the Issuer (the “Board”) was held in the _____, within the boundaries of the Issuer, on the 28th day of February, 2023, at _____ o’clock in the ____m. (the “Meeting”).

The Meeting was called to order by _____, Vice President.

Present: Members

Absent: Members

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____:

WHEREAS:

1. By resolution adopted on January 10, 2023 (the “Bond Resolution”), the Issuer authorized the issuance of not to exceed Sixty Million Dollars (\$60,000,000) 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series I (the “Bonds”); and
2. In the Bond Resolution, the Board authorized the sale of the Bonds and delegated authority to the Superintendent of Schools and/or the Assistant Superintendent of Finance (each an “Authorized Officer”) to accept the offer of J.P. Morgan Securities LLC to purchase the Bonds subject to parameters established in the Bond Resolution; and
3. Based upon information provided by the Issuer’s financial consulting firm, an Authorized Officer accepted an offer from J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, and the other underwriter listed in the bond purchase agreement (the “Underwriters”) to purchase the Bonds, and the Board desires to ratify and affirm the acceptance of the offer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Authorized Officer’s acceptance of the offer as set forth in the bond purchase agreement dated February 16, 2023 (the “Bond Purchase Agreement”), and the terms and conditions set forth therein, presented to the Authorized Officer to purchase the Bonds at a purchase price of \$59,999,066.67, which is the par value of the Bonds plus an original issue premium of \$6,284,061.70, less the Underwriters’ discount of \$109,995.03, is hereby ratified and affirmed. The Bonds shall be issued in the mutually adjusted aggregate principal amount of \$53,825,000 and designated 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series I (General Obligation - Unlimited Tax). Because the Bonds are being issued at a premium and a portion of such premium is being deposited into the 2023 Capital Projects Fund, the Board hereby acknowledges that only \$120,000,000 of voter authorization remains for any future bond issuance.

2. The Bonds shall be dated March 14, 2023, and shall mature on May 1 of the years 2024 to 2042, inclusive, on which interest is payable commencing November 1, 2023 and semi-annually thereafter on May 1 and November 1, at the rates and in the principal amounts set forth in Exhibit A and shall be subject to optional redemption as set forth herein. The Underwriters have agreed in the Bond Purchase Agreement that they shall initially offer the Bonds to the public at the yields set forth in Exhibit A hereto.
3. The Bonds or portions of Bonds in multiples of \$5,000, maturing on or after May 1, 2034, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Issuer in such order as the

Issuer may determine and by lot within any maturity, on any date occurring on or after May 1, 2033, at par plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

4. Notice of redemption of any Bond shall be given not less than thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption by mail to the registered owner's or owners' registered address shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent (the "Paying Agent"). The Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of \$5,000, and Bonds of denominations of more than \$5,000 shall be treated as representing the number of Bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the Bond by \$5,000, and such Bonds may be redeemed in part. The notice of redemption for Bonds redeemed in part shall state that upon surrender of the Bond to be redeemed a new Bond or Bonds in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond surrendered shall be issued to the registered owner thereof.

If less than all of the Bonds of any maturity shall be called for redemption, unless otherwise provided, the particular Bonds or portions of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent, in such manner as the Paying Agent in its discretion may deem proper, in the principal amounts designated by the Issuer. Any Bonds selected for redemption which are deemed to be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Bond Resolution and this resolution will cease to bear interest on the date fixed for redemption. Upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent, such Bonds shall be paid and redeemed.

5. Blank Bonds with the manual or facsimile signatures of the President and Secretary of the Board affixed thereto, shall, upon issuance and delivery and from time to time thereafter as necessary, be delivered to the Paying Agent for safekeeping to be used for registration and transfer of ownership.
6. The Bonds shall be registered as to principal and interest and are transferable as provided in the Bond Resolution only upon the books of the Issuer kept for that purpose by the Paying Agent, by the registered owner thereof in person or by an agent of the owner duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of the Bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Paying Agent duly executed by the registered owner or agent thereof and thereupon a new Bond or Bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity shall be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor as provided in the Bond Resolution, and upon payment of the charges, if any, therein provided. The Bonds are issuable in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof not exceeding the aggregate principal amount for each maturity.

If any Bond shall become mutilated, the Issuer, at the expense of the holder of the Bonds, shall furnish or cause to be furnished, and the Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor in exchange and substitution of the mutilated Bond, upon surrender to the Paying Agent of the mutilated Bond. If any Bond issued under this resolution shall be lost, destroyed or stolen, evidence of the loss, destruction or theft and indemnity may be submitted to the Paying Agent, and if satisfactory to the Paying Agent and the Issuer, the Issuer at the expense of the owner, shall furnish or cause to be furnished, and the Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver a new Bond of like tenor and bearing the statement required by Act 354, Public Acts of Michigan, 1972, as amended, being sections 129.131 to 129.134, inclusive, of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or any applicable law hereafter enacted, in lieu of and in substitution of the Bond so lost, destroyed or stolen. If any such Bond shall have matured or shall be about to mature, instead of issuing a substitute Bond, the Paying Agent may pay the same without surrender thereof.

7. Upon delivery of the Bonds, the accrued interest, if any, shall be deposited in the Debt Retirement Fund for the Bonds and the balance of the Bond proceeds shall be used as follows:

A. The approximate sum of \$216,701.30 shall be used to pay the cost of issuance of the Bonds, and any balance remaining from that sum after paying the cost of issuance shall be deposited in the 2023 Capital Projects Fund.

B. The sum of \$59,782,365.37 shall be deposited to the 2023 Capital Projects Fund.

8. The Preliminary Official Statement, dated February 8, 2023, is deemed final for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), relating to the Bonds and its use and distribution by the Underwriters is hereby authorized, approved and confirmed.
9. An Authorized Officer is authorized and directed to execute and deliver the final Official Statement on behalf of the Issuer. An Authorized Officer is further authorized to approve, execute and deliver any amendments and supplements to the final Official Statement necessary to assure that the statements therein are true, as of the time the Bonds are delivered to the Underwriters, and that it does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact and does not omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. An Authorized Officer is further authorized to execute a Certificate of Issuer to enable the Underwriters to comply with Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds. In the absence of an Authorized Officer, the President may execute the above documents.
10. The Issuer hereby ratifies and affirms the appointment of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Detroit, Michigan, as Paying Agent-Bond Registrar and directs an Authorized Officer to execute for and on behalf of the Issuer a Paying Agent-Bond Registrar Agreement.
11. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members

Nays: Members

Resolution declared adopted.

Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Saline Area Schools, Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at the Meeting, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the Meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the "Open Meetings Act" (Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended).

Secretary, Board of Education

JJS/baf

EXHIBIT A

BOND PRICING

SALINE AREA SCHOOLS
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, STATE OF MICHIGAN
2023 SCHOOL BUILDING AND SITE BONDS, SERIES I
(GENERAL OBLIGATION - UNLIMITED TAX)
Final Numbers

Bond Component	Maturity Date	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price	Yield to Maturity	Call Date	Call Price	Premium (-Discount)	Takedown	
Bond Component:											
	05/01/2024	1,000,000	5.000%	2.960%	102.248				22,480.00	1.550	
	05/01/2025	1,750,000	5.000%	2.720%	104.685				81,987.50	1.550	
	05/01/2026	1,980,000	5.000%	2.520%	107.417				146,856.60	1.550	
	05/01/2027	2,080,000	5.000%	2.470%	109.874				205,379.20	1.550	
	05/01/2028	2,185,000	5.000%	2.480%	112.067				263,663.95	1.550	
	05/01/2029	2,295,000	5.000%	2.530%	113.942				319,968.90	1.550	
	05/01/2030	2,410,000	5.000%	2.560%	115.807				380,948.70	1.550	
	05/01/2031	2,530,000	5.000%	2.610%	117.403				440,295.90	1.550	
	05/01/2032	2,655,000	5.000%	2.660%	118.855				500,600.25	1.550	
	05/01/2033	2,790,000	5.000%	2.750%	119.773				551,666.70	1.550	
	05/01/2034	2,930,000	5.000%	2.870%	118.606	C	3.019%	05/01/2033	100.000	545,155.80	1.550
	05/01/2035	3,075,000	5.000%	3.040%	116.975	C	3.291%	05/01/2033	100.000	521,981.25	1.550
	05/01/2036	3,230,000	5.000%	3.250%	114.999	C	3.560%	05/01/2033	100.000	484,467.70	1.550
	05/01/2037	3,390,000	5.000%	3.410%	113.519	C	3.758%	05/01/2033	100.000	458,294.10	1.550
	05/01/2038	3,560,000	5.000%	3.510%	112.606	C	3.890%	05/01/2033	100.000	448,773.60	1.550
	05/01/2039	3,730,000	5.000%	3.600%	111.792	C	4.000%	05/01/2033	100.000	439,841.60	1.550
	05/01/2040	3,920,000	4.125%	4.125%	100.000					1.550	
	05/01/2041	4,080,000	4.250%	4.140%	100.898	C	4.179%	05/01/2033	100.000	36,638.40	1.550
	05/01/2042	4,235,000	5.000%	3.770%	110.273	C	4.212%	05/01/2033	100.000	435,061.55	1.550
									6,284,061.70		

Dated Date	03/14/2023	
Delivery Date	03/14/2023	
First Coupon	11/01/2023	
Par Amount	53,825,000.00	
Premium	6,284,061.70	
Production	60,109,061.70	111.674987%
Underwriter's Discount	-109,995.03	-0.204357%
Purchase Price	59,999,066.67	111.470630%
Accrued Interest		
Net Proceeds	59,999,066.67	



2023-24 School of Choice Guidelines

Eligibility for Schools of Choice

Residency: Saline Area Schools approved a limited school-of-choice program for the 2023-24 school year. Non-resident students eligible to apply for the available openings must reside in a school district located in the Washtenaw Intermediate School District (ISD): Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Dexter, Lincoln, Manchester, Milan, Whitmore Lake, Willow Run, and Ypsilanti.

Transportation: Parents are responsible for providing transportation to and from school each day.

Non-Discrimination: Saline Area Schools will accept non-resident students based on a lottery system, without regard to intellect, academic, artistic, athletic, or other ability or talent, mental or physical disability, religion, race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation or transgender identity), height, weight, or marital status.

Discipline: Students may be removed from consideration if they have been suspended from school in the past two years, if they were ever expelled from school, or if they have been convicted of a felony.

Openings Available in 2023-24

<u>Grade Level</u>	<u>School/Program</u>	<u>Minimum Openings</u>	
Young 5's	TBD	0	
Kindergarten	TBD	20	
1st Grade	TBD	1	
2nd Grade	TBD	1	
3rd Grade	TBD	1	
4th Grade	Heritage	1	We anticipate taking more than the minimum at some grade levels (grade levels TBD)
5 th Grade	Heritage	1	
6 th Grade	Middle School	1	
7 th Grade	Middle School	1	
8 th Grade	Middle School	1	
9 th Grade	Saline Alternative HS	1	
9 th Grade	Saline High School	1	
10 th Grade	Saline Alternative HS	1	
10 th Grade	Saline High School	1	We anticipate taking more than the minimum at some grade levels (grade levels TBD)
11 th Grade	Saline Alternative HS	1	
11 th Grade	Saline High School	1	
12 th Grade	Saline Alternative HS	1	
12 th Grade	Saline High School	1	

Based on resident enrollment over the summer, teacher-pupil ratios, available space and other relevant criteria, the District may accept more students from the wait-list developed through the lottery

School Program TBD = Saline Area Schools reserve the right to place students in grades Y5's/K-3 in any of the three elementary buildings, depending upon space available, although attempts will be made to grant requests whenever possible. The Y5's/K-3rd grade buildings are Harvest, Pleasant Ridge and Woodland Meadows.

Application Process

Parents/guardians must submit a completed School of Choice Application Form online for each child beginning April 3, 2023 through May 2, 2023 by 4 PM. Applications must be accounted for in the District Information Office by the deadline in order to be eligible for the lottery.

How do I get the application form? (applications available beginning Monday, April 3rd)

- Available online at www.salineschools.org -> District Resources -> School of Choice

When and where do I return the form?

Submit online beginning Monday, April 3rd with a deadline of Tuesday, May 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

Lottery

Due to the limited number of openings available in Saline Area Schools, all eligible applicants who have filed their School of Choice Application Form by the deadline date will be entered into a lottery. Names will be drawn randomly and admitted in the order drawn. If more students apply than the minimum number posted above, students will be placed on a wait list in the order drawn. If additional openings become available, students will be accepted in order from the wait-list. Applicants are welcome, but not required to attend the lottery drawing. All applicants will be notified of lottery results by the end of the next business day.

Lottery Drawing: Monday, May 8, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.
Liberty School (Board Room)
7265 N. Ann Arbor Street
Saline, MI 48176

Students notified of acceptance through the lottery MUST be enrolled by May 26th, 2023.

Enrollment

Once a student is enrolled and continuously attends Saline Area Schools through school of choice, the student is entitled to continue to attend school in Saline until graduation without having to reapply for school of choice. If the sibling of a School of Choice student already enrolled in Saline applies for school of choice, the sibling shall be given preference over other nonresident candidates if there are available openings in the grade, school and/or program. If the district is not accepting school of choice applicants in that grade, school and/or program, the sibling has no right to admission to Saline Area Schools under schools of choice.

Code of Conduct

All Student Code of Conduct rules, procedures, and policies will apply to all students who enter Saline Area Schools under school of choice.

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OPENING

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Michael McVey.

Board Members Present: Tim Austin, Susan Estep, Brad Gerbe, Lauren Gold, Michael McVey, Jenny Miller and Jennifer Steben.

Central Administration Present: Superintendent Laatsch, Assistant Superintendent Ellis, Assistant Superintendent Owsley, Director Britnell, Director Davis and Director Clary.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE A moment of silence for the Michigan State Tragedy of February 13th.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

STUDENTS - None

OTHER PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS

Jenn Testa, Parent: Spoke to Athletic Culture

4. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC COMMENT

Thank you to Principal Sickler and members of the SEA for their recognition of School Board Appreciation Month

AGENDA

5. REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION made by Secretary Miller, support by Vice President Steben **to approve the agenda as printed.**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

6. STUDENT SHOWCASE

SHS Key Club

Presenter: Spencer Lynn, Vice President (Advisor, Jen Denzin)

The HS Key Club is an extension of Kiwanis and Key stands for “Kiwanis Educating Youth”. Key Club members learn how to lead and stand for what’s right through service and volunteerism in partnership with local Kiwanis organizations. Spencer provided an overview of the High School organization and highlighted some of the goals of the club and activities they participate in. Goals include support of the surrounding community, forming connections with members and generally having fun. Volunteering events include park and school ground clean up, PB&J event which serves the homeless community in Detroit, in-school fundraising events and food drives and donation drives of dog toys, blankets and cans. The SHS club has provided over 1550 hrs of service since 2020 and has 77 current active members.

7. SCHEDULED REPORT

Athletic Department Update

Presenters: Ashley Mantha & Jeff Pike

A presentation was made to the Board which provided an inside view of the operations of the Athletic Department and organization. Specific detail was shared about which sports take place throughout the year at both the MS and HS level. There are both district subsidized and self funded sports. No sport is fully funded by the general fund. All teams fundraise to support their teams to some level. There are also sports that are under Community Education. We are fortunate to have a great working relationship with Community Ed. It’s important that compliance to Title IX and MHSSA are always being followed. Director Mantha then provided an overview of the budget. The SAS Athletic Expenditures from the general fund are about \$1,400,000 per year. Of that, 80% is allocated to salaries. The remaining goes towards officials, gameworkers, security/police and transportation. We collaborate Facilities and Community Ed regarding equipment, maintenance and upkeep. Individual teams maintain student activity accounts (fundraising dollars) for other items such as uniforms, accommodations when traveling, etc.) The recent bond does not go into general operating dollars and can only

support allocated facility changes. Pay to participate fees generate about \$275,000 per year. No one is ever turned away for hardship. There is also revenue from gate entrance fees. There are stringent training requirements for all coaches and new coaches benefit from a seasoned mentor coach. The student athlete also is held to high standards and those expectations were also reviewed.

8. ACTION ITEMS

- A. **MOTION** made by Treasurer Gerbe, support by Trustee Austin **to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2023, Closed Session for the purpose of considering the purchase or lease of real property under 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act.**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

- B. **MOTION** made by Secretary Miller, support by Treasurer Gerbe **to approve the recommendation that the district move forward with the purchase of equipment from Gerotech, Inc., for the total cost of \$76,904.50 as recommended by Dr. Ryan Rowe, Executive Director of the South and West Washtenaw Consortium.**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

- C. **MOTION** made by Vice President Steben, support by Trustee Estep **to approve the Technology purchase to InaCompTSG in the amount of \$1,043,072.41 for network switches that have reached their end of life as recommended by Jay Grossman, Director of Technology.**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board Finance Committee Update

Presenter, Brad Gerbe Chair

Treasurer Gerbe provided an overview of the Finance Committee meeting that met prior to this evening's Board meeting. On the agenda was discussion on School of Choice. There will be a scheduled report presented at the Board Meeting on February 28th regarding enrollment and school of choice. Also on the 28th will be the budget amendment presented by Assistant Superintendent Owsley. Brief conversation also on the state level budget which remains positive toward K-12 education. There was also discussion about the Board Finance team and the strengths that each member brings to the committee. Shoutout to the District for the recent A+ credit rating by the S&P. This enhances interest of bond applications and also possibly reduce the interest on the repayment of bonds.

10. ADMINISTRATION / BOARD UPDATES

Student Representative Allison Doran: Thank you to Student Council, NHS and SHS Choirs for making Valentine's Day special. Acknowledgement to all the service organizations at the HS that provide support to the local and larger communities. Shoutouts to the Dance Team and Science Olympiad for recent competition achievements and the SHS Orchestra will be performing on February 15th.

Superintendent Laatsch: Bravo to SHS Chamber Choirs and the Ten Tones a cappella groups with their Division 1 excellent ratings at MSVMA regional events. Several soloists also received top scores. Congratulations to all. March 10th we are participating in EMU Invent. About 10 students of our students will be demonstrating inventions at this showcase being held at EMU. February 17th is MS Career Day. I'll be participating this year. Also the District Symposium will be taking place on Friday, February 17th. This includes over 30 sessions facilitated by our teaching staff for their colleagues. This is an Early Release Day for our students.

Secretary Miller: Thank you to Kara Davis and the Teaching and Learning Team for coordinating the Symposium. Thank you to the educators for stepping up to share your craft with your colleagues. Thank you to Dr. Laatsch for helping me understand situations throughout the district. I urge the public to reach out to him if you want to have a conversation with him before allowing social media to inform your thoughts and opinions. Spoke personally about the Michigan State tragedy of February 13th. Would like to revisit discussion with Moms Demand Action.

Treasurer Gerbe: Please reach out to Dr. Laatsch if there are things of concern that you like to talk about instead of forming your opinions from social media posts. He's very open to conversation. Spoke personally about the Michigan State tragedy of February 13th. Would like to revisit discussion with Moms Demand Action.

Trustee Austin: Spoke personally about the Michigan State tragedy of February 13th.

Vice President Steben: Spoke personally about the Michigan State tragedy of February 13th. The last day to purchase tickets for the upcoming March 4th FSAS event "Blue Jeans and Bling" is February 22nd. This event will be held at Kensington Court. Woodland Meadows literacy day is February 16th and I am excited to participate in the MS Career Day. Board will be putting together a basket that will be a fundraiser for SASS at the March 18th Craft Show. The theme is "STEAM". Young 5 and K roundups will be in person this year.

Trustee Gold: Please support the upcoming Mattress Fundraiser for the Saline HS Marching Band on February 25th. They are raising money for their December 2023 Disney trip. Gun deaths are the leading cause of deaths among children.

Trustee Estep: SEAB meeting was on February 13th. K12 Insight gave a presentation to our board which was an overview of the survey results which will be presented at the next Board meeting on

February 28th. Black History month is being acknowledged throughout the district. Spoke personally about the Michigan State tragedy of February 13th.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION made by Treasurer Gerbe, support by Trustee Austin **to authorize the Consent Agenda as listed below:**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

- A. **Approval** of the Board of Education Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2023
- B. **Approval** of the Board Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2023
- C. **Approval of Payment** of the General Fund Accounts Payable of February 14, 2023, in the amount of \$4,052,447.45
- D. **Approval of Payment** of Bond Fund Series III Accounts Payable of February 14, 2023, in the amount of \$282,240.51
- E. **Receive and File** Finance and Human Resources Reports

CLOSING

12. ITEMS SCHEDULED ON NEXT AGENDA

- A. SEAB Survey Results
- B. Enrollment / School of Choice Discussion

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

STUDENTS

OTHER PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS

Jeff Hankamp, Parent Alumni - Spoke regarding Baseball Fundraising

Changming Fan, Community Member - Spoke regarding an initiative he refers to as CARE12

14. NEXT MEETING

The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on February 28, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

15. CLOSED SESSION

MOTION made by Vice President Steven, support by Trustee Austin **to enter Closed Session of the Board of Education at 9:10 PM, with the intent to re-enter open Session at 9:40 PM, for the purposes of: (1) Collective Bargaining 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act and (2) for the purpose to consider purchase or lease of real property under 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act. This requires a two-thirds roll call vote of elected or appointed members.**

Roll Call Vote

Austin - Aye

Gold - Aye

Gerb- Aye

Steben - Aye

Miller - Aye

Estep - Aye

McVey - Aye

16. RE-ENTER OPEN SESSION

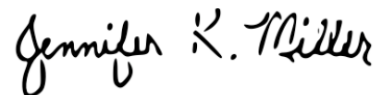
MOTION made by Treasurer Gerbe, support by Vice President Steben **to re-enter Open Session of the Regular Board of Education Meeting at 10:12 PM.**

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION made by Secretary Miller, support by Trustee Estep **to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting of February 14, 2023, at 10:13 PM.**

Ayes - All Present - **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer K. Miller
Board Secretary

Recorded by: Betty Jahnke

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Liberty School Board Room

February 14, 2023 at 5:00 PM

MINUTES



Attendees: Brad Gerbe, Chair, Tim Austin, Jennifer Steben

Superintendent Laatsch, Assistant Superintendent Owsley, Recording Secretary Jahnke

1. Call to Order

Board Finance Committee Meeting called to order by Chair Brad Gerbe at 5:03 pm

2. Public Comment - None

3. Discussion Items

- A. School of Choice / Enrollment - Report will be given at the 2/28 BOE meeting with a requested action item to approve the 23/24 School of Choice Guidelines. Also will be looking at enrollment projections for next year and beyond. We're starting to see an upward trend. Will be exploring the option of an enrollment study with a third party vendor.
- B. Bond Sale & Credit Rating - A+ credit rating. Students will be participating with our bond counsel law firm and financial managers PFM. 2023 School Building & Site Bonds, Series I will appear on the BOE agenda 2/28. Action will be requesting adoption of the resolution to authorize the sale of bonds not to exceed \$60,000,000.00.
- C. Budget Amendment - Miranda will present the budget amendment at the February 28th BOE meeting as an action item on the agenda for approval.
- D. Goals & Priorities for Finance Team in 2023
 1. Overview & Questions from the team on organization and details of general fund.
 2. Maximizing talents of the Finance Committee team. Jennifer (revenue generating). Tim (Bond expertise), and Brad (contract negotiations). Brad & Miranda will meet prior to the 2nd BOE meeting each month. Have a master planning calendar for finance issues.
 3. Explore opportunities to communicate farther ahead with BOE about large dollar amount purchases that may be coming. This will be a conversation with Brad/Miranda.

*Board Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2023*

- E. Jennifer Steben recently attended CBA 303 Overseeing the Superintendency. This provides participants a clear understanding of their responsibilities related to oversight and management of the Superintendent, as well as best practices and trends that impact school district governance. Important to make sure contract language is beneficial to our current superintendent as well in moving forward. This information will also be shared with the Compensation Committee. Reminder FSAS spring event is March 4th. February 22nd ticket sale deadline. Normal profit is around 75K. Feedback to City Council issue.

4. **Public Comment - None**

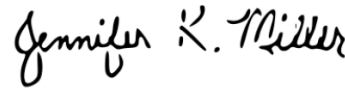
5. **Next Meeting**

Scheduled for April 11, 2023 at 5 pm

6. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Jennifer K. Miller
Board Secretary

Recorded by: Betty Jahnke

2023-24

CALENDAR

at a glance



SALINE

AREA SCHOOLS

August	28 FIRST DAY K-12				
September	1 NO SCHOOL	4 NO SCHOOL	29 K-12 Early Release Day		
October	19 K-12 Early Release Day		20 NO SCHOOL		
November	17 K-12 Half Day	20 K-12 Half Day	21 K-12 Half Day	22-24 NO SCHOOL	27 2nd Trimester Begins
December	23 - January 7 NO SCHOOL				
January	8 School Resumes	12 K-12 Early Release Day		15 NO SCHOOL	
February	16 K-12 Early Release Day		19 NO SCHOOL		
March	7 K-12 Half Day	8 K-12 Half Day	11 3rd Trimester Begins		23-31 NO SCHOOL
April	1 School Resumes	5 K-12 early Release Day			
May	27 NO SCHOOL				
June	5 K-12 Half Day	6 K-12 Half Day / LAST DAY			

Subject to change pending BOE Consent



Board of Education
28.Feb.23

TOPIC: Human Capital Recommendations

Curt Ellis, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources presents for your consideration the following human capital changes including resignations, new hires and changes in tenure status:

RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BLDG./DEPT.</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Edward Hennessey	Heritage	Paraeducator	Resignation	Personal	28.Feb.23
Cheatham Norrils	SWWC	Technician	Termination	Performance	17.Feb.23

NEW HIRES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BLDG./DEPT.</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Kyle Zagata	Saline HS	Dean of Students	New Hire	N/A	6.Mar.23

RECOMMENDATION: That the Saline Area Schools Board of Education adopts the personnel report recommendations as presented.