# Fowlerville Community Schools Board of Education Superintendent's Evaluation

Fowlerville Junior High School, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

November 17, 2025

<u>District Mission Statement</u>-Fowlerville Community Schools are committed to providing a quality educational experience for all students in a safe, orderly, healthy and nurturing environment.

The district's guiding principles are educational excellence, effective leadership, personal integrity, mutual respect and continuous improvement through staff, student and community involvement.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Consent Agenda
  - A. Roll Call
  - B. Approval of Minutes from November 11, 2025
- IV. Call to the Public
- V. New Business/Presentation
  - A. Recommendation to Approve Fiscal Year 2026 Section 31aa Opt-Out Resolution
  - B. Superintendent's Evaluation Superintendent Stuard has Requested a Closed Session
  - C. Recommendation to Reconvene Open Session
  - D. Recommendation to Approve the Closed Session Minutes
  - E. [Possible Motion from Closed Session] Recommendation to Approve Superintendent's Final Evaluation Label
  - F. [Possible Motion from Closed Session] Recommendation to Approve the Superintendent's Merit Pay Compensation
- VI. Introduction of Other Matters by Members of the Board
- VII. Introduction of Other Matters by the Superintendent
- VIII. Information
  - A. 12/09 Regular School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the JHS Auditorium
- IX. Adjournment

## CALL TO THE PUBLIC GUIDELINES:

- Any audience member may address the Board about topics on the agenda or not on the agenda.
- Each person shall be allowed to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes.
- Individuals addressing the Board should take into consideration the rules of common courtesy.
- Comments cannot be used to make personal attacks against Board members, District employees, or students.
- Call to the Public is not a question and answer period.
- Board members may ask questions of the speaker but are not obligated to answer questions or make statements or commitments in response to issues raised by the public.
- The Board President may refer questions/issues to the Superintendent for investigation, study, or recommendation. S/he may ask the Superintendent to address questions directly during the Superintendent's report.

### FOWLERVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## Board of Education Minute Regular Meeting November 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order by School Board President, Mrs. Amy Sova, at 7:00 p.m. in the Junior High School Auditorium.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Mr. John Belcher, Mrs. Susan Charron, Mrs. Danielle DeVries, Mrs. Diana Dombrowski, Mr. Robert Hinton, Mrs. Lindsey Redinger and Mrs. Amy Sova Members Absent: None

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mr. Belcher to approve the consent agenda including Board minutes from October 14, 2025. Amended to move the Assistant Superintendent's report to item C in Section 4, and to move Closed Session to item D in Section 4. The motion was amended unanimously.

Introduction of Kreeger Student Support Specialist Mr. Lewis Hoffman.

2024-2025 Annual Audit Presentation – Ms. Sherrie Blankenship from Maner Costerisan.

Assistant Superintendent's Report - Adva Ringle reported on the 31aa Grant Comparison 2025-2026.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mr. Hinton, recommending to go into Closed Session for the Purpose of Privileged Attorney-Client Opinion at 7:20p.m.

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs. Sova Nays: None

The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mr. Hinton, recommending to Reconvene Open Session at 8:11 p.m.

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs. Sova Nays: None

The motion carried.

Recommendation to Approve Closed Session Minutes. Closed Session Minutes were, To Whom It May Concern, the Board met in Closed Session for the Purpose of Privileged Attorney-Client Opinion. Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, recommending approval of the Closed Session Minutes.

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs. Sova Nays: None

The motion carried.

10/31 Finance Committee Report - Mr. Belcher

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Charron, recommending that the 2024-2025 Audit be approved as presented. [Appendix A]

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs. Sova The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, recommending to approve the per parcel amount be increased to \$4.00 per parcel for assessment and collection. [Appendix B] The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mrs. Dombrowski, recommending to approve the non-bargaining employee salary and hourly rate increases as presented. [Appendix C]

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs. Sova

Nays: None The motion carried.

10/31 Policy Committee Report - Mrs. Sova

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mr. Hinton, recommending the following policy be approved for a second and final reading: <u>Policy 5136</u>-Personel Communication Devices. [Appendix D]

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton and Mrs. Sova

Nays: Mrs. Redinger The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, supported by Mr. Hinton, recommending the following policy be approved for a first reading: <u>Policy 8510</u>-Wellness. A second and final reading will be presented at the next Board meeting. [Appendix E]

Ayes: Mr. Belcher, Mrs. Charron, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Dombrowski, Mr. Hinton, Mrs. Redinger and Mrs.

Sova

Nays: None

The motion carried.

11/03 Asset Management Committee Report – Mrs. Redinger 11/10 Personnel Committee Report – Mrs. Charron

Student Representative's Report — Miss Emelyn Atkinson reported on K-12 student activities. Superintendent's Report — Mr. Matt Stuard gave a PowerPoint presentation.

During Call to the Public members of the audience addressed the Board with their concerns.

**Old Business** 

**New Business** 

Introduction of Other Matters by the Board

Introduction of Other Matters by the Superintendent. Mr. Stuard congratulated our football team and clarified items brought up during the Call to the Public.

Information – See Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Charron, supported by Mrs. DeVries, recommending adjournment of the meeting at 9:18 p.m. The motion carried.

Susan Charron, Board Secretary Fowlerville Community Schools

Resolution C:
Decline Opt-In
Unless Waiver
Conditions
Eliminated or
Modified

Fowlerville Community Schools, Michigan (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education of the District (the "Board") was held in	n the		
Junior High School Auditorium, within the boundaries of the District, on the 17th da	y of		
November, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock in the p.m. (the "Meeting")			
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The Mo	eeting was called to order by	President.
Present	: Members	
Absent	Members	
The fol and supported	lowing preamble and resolution were oby Member:	offered by Member

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. Public Act 15 of 2025 amends State School Aid Act Section 31aa, MCL 388.1631aa, to allocate funding for fiscal year 2025/2026 to support school safety and student mental health initiatives, as well as to provide certain competitive grant funding ("31aa Funding"); and
- 2. To receive 31aa Funding, the District must agree to receive the funding in the form and manner established by the Michigan Department of Education ("MDE") and either formally opt in or seek a competitive grant; and
- 3. As a condition of receiving either type of 31aa Funding, the District must agree in advance that, in the event of a "mass casualty event," as defined in MCL 388.1631aa: (1) the District will be subject to and comply with a comprehensive investigation following such an event, and (2) the District will waive any privilege that would otherwise protect related information from disclosure; and
- 4. The Board has been advised of and fully informed regarding the legal and practical implications of this waiver requirement, including that it may affect the confidentiality of communications otherwise protected by the attorney-client privilege and other applicable privileges related to a "mass casualty event"; and
- 5. The Board recognizes that the waiver requirement may expose the District to legal, reputational, and operational risks and that the decision to accept or decline funding carries significant implications for the District's ability to manage sensitive information responsibly; and
- 6. After careful deliberation, the Board has determined that, while it fully supports initiatives to enhance school safety and student mental health, it is in the District's best interest to preserve its legal privileges and make a deliberate, informed election regarding participation in

31aa Funding and that it cannot accept the 31aa Funding unless the waiver requirement is eliminated or modified to preserve the District's legal privileges.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Board hereby resolves to decline Section 31aa Funding in order to preserve attorney-client or other applicable privileges that would otherwise be subject to waiver under the conditions imposed by MCL 388.1631aa; however, if those conditions are eliminated or modified to preserve applicable privileges, the Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to accept the funding. This decision reflects the Board's commitment to responsible governance and the protection of sensitive information, while continuing to prioritize student safety through existing programs and initiatives.
- 2. This decision represents the Board's careful and deliberate exercise of its discretion, balancing the statutory conditions of 31aa Funding with the District's responsibility to maintain operational and legal safeguards.
- 3. 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 Fowlerville Community Schools, 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

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