



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Work Session**

**Approved Minutes
May 13, 2024**

A special work session of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at West Ottawa Public Schools' Administration Office, 1138 136th Avenue.

President Lebster administered the roll call.

Members Present: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, J. Otteman,
L. Rutan, R. Schipper, M. Remenschneider, and T. Smith.

Members Absent: None

Moved by J. Otteman, supported by T. Smith, that the minutes from the April 15, 2024, regular meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by M. Remenschneider, , that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Superintendent Bearden updated the Board on the latest rendition of the elementary boundary maps. Todd spoke regarding using Google Maps to identify where all of the elementary students are located who currently attend an elementary school that is outside of their elementary boundary.

Jeff updated the Board regarding the following capital projects: Riley Farms, PAC, HS/ Great Lakes paving, and updates on the 2023 bond projects.

Opportunity was given for communications from the audience regarding agenda items. There was no response.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that the West Ottawa Board of Education convene in closed session, pursuant to MCL 15.268 Sec. 8(c), at 6:09 p.m. regarding collective bargaining.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, J. Otteman, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan,
R. Schipper and T. Smith.

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

**REGULAR MEETING
CALL TO ORDER**

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

REDISTRICTING

**POOL / BOND
CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

COMMUNICATIONS
Communication from the
Audience

CLOSED SESSION

Board of Education Special Work Session

Approved Minutes

May 13, 2024

Page 2

Moved by T. Smith, supported by D. Duistermars, that the Board of Education reconvene in open session at 6:52 p.m.

**RECONVENE IN
OPEN SESSION**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan,
R. Schipper and T. Smith.

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Opportunity was given for communications from the audience regarding non agenda items. There were no speakers.

**FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS
COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE
AUDIENCE**

(regarding items not on
the agenda)

The next meeting is a regular meeting at 7 p.m. following this work session.

NEXT MEETING

5/13/24 - Regular meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by D. Duistermars, that the work session adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary