



**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BOARDROOM  
MAY 19, 2025**

**MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order** – President, Morris, called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 (left at 7:21), Kohn, Morris  
Absent: Nichols

- 4. Student Representative** - There was no report.
- 5. Public Comment** - The Board heard comments from the community.
- 6. Consent Agenda**
  - a. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the board approve the consent agenda as presented:
    1. April 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
    2. May 13, 2025 Committee of the Whole Minutes
    3. April 2025 Payables
    4. May 2025 Personnel Report

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

- 7. Superintendent Report**
  - a. MEERA Program at DLMS - This program is a grant-funded opportunity to provide Middle School students with fully equipped learning labs focused in the areas of manufacturing and engineering.

- b. Wellness Committee Update - The National School Breakfast and Lunch program requires the district to have an internal Wellness Policy related to food service. A summary of the committee's work was provided.
- c. Other Items - Senior recognition night, Commencement is May 20 at 7:00pm, State Track and Field athlete qualifiers, Thank you for support of the Nonhomestead millage renewal, Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference summary, KISD Board election update, Water main update.

## **8. Action Items**

- a. 2025 Bond Series II Ratification Resolution
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board approve the Resolution ratifying the sale of the 2025 School Building & Site Bonds, Series II.  
  
Ayes: Collins, Isic, Kohn, Brandow, Barber Garcia, Morris  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.
- b. Kent ISD Budget
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Kohn, that the Board approve the Resolution to support the 2025-2026 Kent ISD Budget.  
  
Ayes: Isic, Collins, Brandow, Kohn, Barber Garcia, Morris  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.
- c. Kent ISD School Board Election
  - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Collins, that the Board approves the resolution designating Jessica Kohn as Caledonia's representative and John Brandow as Caledonia's alternate representative for the KISD electoral body to elect the following two candidates to six-year terms on the Kent ISD Board of Education: Candidate 1: David Drake and Candidate 2: Laura Fetherston.  
  
Ayes: Kohn, Brandow, Barber Garcia, Collins, Isic, Morris  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

d. Textbook Adoption

- i. Original Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Isic, that the Board approve the adoption of the following high school textbooks:
  1. **"Krugman's Economics for the AP® Course"** Fourth Edition by Anderson and Ray at the cost of \$7,200 for the AP Economics macro/micro class.
  2. **"Human Geography: A Spatial Perspective AP® Edition"** by Cengage/National Geographic at the cost of \$6,300 for the AP Geography class.
  3. **"Forensic Science for High School"** Fourth Edition by Barbara Toby at the cost of \$4,850 for the Forensic Science class.
- ii. Motion to amend by Brandow and supported by Kohn to move the Human Geography textbook to be voted on separately.

Roll call to accept the amendment to the motion.

Ayes: Collins, Brandow, Kohn, Morris

Nays: Barber Garcia, Isic

Motion Carried.

Roll call on the original motion as amended to approve the Economics textbook and the Forensic Science textbook.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Secretary Pro Tem Kohn began taking minutes in the absence of Isic at 7:21 p.m.

Roll call on the motion to approve the Human Geography textbook.

Ayes: Barber Garcia

Nays: Kohn, Brandow, Collins, Morris

Motion Failed.

e. Monument Sign Bid Package

- i. Motion by Collins and supported by Brandow, that the Board approve The Christman Company to contract for the manufacture and installation of monument signs with these contractors under the following work categories:

• Category 02	Earthwork	Velting Contractors, Inc.	\$ 22,620.00
• Category 10	Concrete	Early & Associates, Inc.	\$ 41,700.00
• Category 11	Masonry	J&M Masonry Inc.	\$ 33,600.00
• Category 25	Signage	Universal Sign Inc.	\$ 43,805.00
• Category 28	Electrical	Excel Electric Inc	\$ 17,600.00

for a total cost of \$ 159,325.00.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

f. Kettle Lake Paving

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board approve a contract with the Michigan Paving and Materials company for the sitework and paving at Kettle Lake Elementary at a cost of \$369,408.60.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

g. Kettle Lake Paving Construction Management

- i. Motion by Brandow and supported by Collins, that the Board approve a contract with Structure Tec Inc. for construction management services at the sitework and paving project at Kettle Lake Elementary at a cost of \$59,100.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

h. Stadium Water Line Relocation Package

- i. Motion by Collins and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board conditionally approve Rockford Construction to contract with Fischer Idema Excavating for the relocation of the water line at Ralph E. Meyers Stadium at a cost of \$140,000.00 contingent on successful execution of a legal agreement by June 2, 2025, between Caledonia Community Schools and Caledonia Township detailing each party's responsibilities and obligations regarding this project.

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

- 9. Discussion Items - Anticipated Board Consideration, 06/16/25** - The following items will be brought to the Board for a vote at the June Regular meeting.
- a. Kent County Enhancement Millage Resolution
  - b. 2024-2025 Final Budget Amendment
  - c. 2025-2026 Budget Hearing & Budget Adoption
  - d. 2025-2026 Food Service Contract
  - e. School Loan Revolving Fund Resolution
  - f. MHSAA Resolution
  - g. Other Items - None

**10. Board Comments**

- a. Recusal of food service vote - conflict of interest
- b. July Adopt-A-Road clean-up date
- c. Committee of the Whole - July 23 is cancelled

**11. Adjournment**

- a. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 19th day of May 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 23rd day of June 2025.

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

**Jessica Kohn, Secretary Pro Tem**  
**Board of Education**