

Hamilton Community Consolidated School District #328
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 18, 2026

The regular meeting of the Hamilton Community Consolidated School District #328 Board of Education was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 in the Elementary Multi-Purpose Room.

Call to Order

President Huls called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call

On roll call, the following board members answered present: Huls, Monroe, Hymes, Harmon, Hawes and Capaldo. Six board members were present.

Absent Members: Kazukauskas

Others present: Jason Church, Chelsea Radel, Erin Kelly and Brad Gooding.

Opportunity for Citizens/Visitors to Speak

No member spoke to board.

Executive Session

6:34 pm

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Capaldo to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Return to Open Session

7:47 pm

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Hawes to return to open session. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Hawes to approve the consent agenda: a. payroll and bills, b. approve minutes from regular meeting on February 18, 2026. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Superintendent's Report

2026-2027 Public School Calendar Update

Superintendent talked about the calendar voted on by staff.

LockNow Update

Superintendent updated the board on the LockNow app and its process.

JH Athletic Co-Op Update

Superintendent reported that there will not be a Junior High Athletic Co-Op.

Principals' Reports

Elementary: Mrs. Kelly reported 3rd quarter has come and gone and we're on the final stretch for this school year. Work has begun to prepare for statewide testing this spring. Students in grades 3-8 will participate in the Illinois Assessment of Readiness beginning the week of March 30th. Sam and myself have been working closely with Mr. Sherman, Mr. Taylor and Ms. Cook with the migration to Skyward student information software.

High School: Mr. Gooding reported the National Honor Society Induction was held on Thursday, March 5. Congratulations to the Scholastic Bowl team for finishing 1st in conference play with a record of 7-3, they lost in the semifinals of the regional to Rushville-Industry. The ACT and PreACT will be completed on Tuesday, March 24. Mr. Stuckert will be taking chorus students to Quincy University on Monday, March 30 for a Choral Festival.

For the Good of the District

Action Items

Approve Bids for Mowing and Trimming

A motion was made by Capaldo and seconded by Monroe to approve the mowing and trimming bid from Labonte. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Authorize the Superintendent to Prepare an Amended 25-26 School District Budget

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Capaldo to authorize the Superintendent to prepare an Amended 25-26 School District Budget. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Approve 2026-2027 IHSA Membership

A motion was made by Hawes and seconded by Harmon to approve the 2026-2027 IHSA Membership. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Dance Team Sponsor Resignation

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Capaldo to accept Gretchen Russell's resignation as Dance Team Sponsor. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Resignation

A motion was made by Harmon and seconded by Capaldo to accept resignation from Annalise Smith as Elementary Paraprofessional. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Resignation

A motion was made by Harmon and seconded by Capaldo to accept resignation from Jeff Sisk as High School Girls Basketball Assistant Coach. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Resignation

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Hawes to accept resignation from Kelly Celandia as Junior High Student Council sponsor. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Approve JH Assistant Track Coach

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Capaldo to approve JH Assistant Track Coach Madisyn Andrews. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, abstain; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-1-0

Approve JH Assistant Track Coach

A motion was made by Hawes and seconded by Hymes to approve JH Assistant Track Coach Kevin Buckert. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Hire Elementary Custodian

A motion was made by Capaldo and seconded by Harmon to approve the hire of Shane Sigmund as Elementary Custodian. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Resignation

A motion was made by Harmon and seconded by Capaldo to accept resignation from Rebecca Gray as an Elementary Teacher. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Approve 2026-2027 School Calendar

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Hawes to approve the 2026-2027 School Calendar. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Hire Band Teacher

A motion was made by Capaldo and seconded by Hymes to approve the hire of Laura Launer as Band Teacher. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Approve Overnight Trip

A motion was made by Capaldo and seconded by Hawes to approve overnight trip for Science Olympiad. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Hire Elementary Teacher

A motion was made by Hawes and seconded by Harmon to approve the hire of Jacey Lansing as an Elementary Teacher. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Accept Resignation

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Harmon to accept resignation from Travis Cox as Elementary Custodian. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Monroe and seconded by Hymes to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: Huls, yes; Monroe, yes; Harmon, yes; Hawes, yes; Hymes, yes; Capaldo, yes. Motion carried: 6-0

President Huls declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.


Josey Huls, Board President


Kayla Kazukauskas, Board Secretary


Chelsea Radel, Recording Secretary