

MINUTES

178.23 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – COX

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179.23 ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE – Albrecht

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ROLL CALL VOTE

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ROLL CALL VOTE

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Melandie Hines
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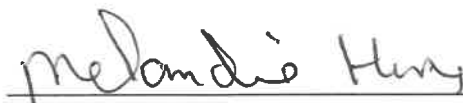
188.23 ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that the board adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm. Motion by J.Albrecht, support by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES:	6
NAYS:	0
ABSTAIN:	0
ABSENT:	1

MOTION PASSED



Melandie Hines
Board of Education Secretary
Wayne-Westland Community Schools