

Board Work Session
Monday, March 10, 2025 6:00 PM Eastern

Conference Room of the Administration
Building
1400 South Dearing Road
Parma, MI 49269

Kacy Cooper: Present
Gale Easton: Absent
Blaine Goodrich: Present
Jason Herrington: Present
Brent Oliver: Present
Dr. John Sheets: Present
Taryn Watterson: Absent
Present: 5, Absent: 2.
Taryn Watterson: Present
Present: 6, Absent: 1.

A. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

B. Hearing of Citizens:

Public comment was given by Jay Horsfall.

C. Committee of the Whole:

C.1. Finance

C.1.a. Financial Reports

C.1.b. Check Register

Check register items were discussed and clarified.

C.1.c. Budgets to Date

Brian Boyer (Jones Construction) gave a brief presentation clarifying bulletins and how they affect the overall construction project. A bulletin regarding the updated playground restructuring cost is expected to be available within the next couple of weeks.

C.1.d. Budget Discussion 2025-2026

Amber Moore, Finance Director, provided an overview of the initial budget presented by the Governor for the 2025-2026 school year. In addition, she reviewed the current school year's budget with regard to MPSERS and its affects on the budget.

C.1.e. 12(d) Grant Status Update

An update from MDE regarding this grant is anticipated by the end of March.

C.1.f. Maintenance/Transportation Budget Update

Two buses have been sold, with one more to sell at this time. The funds from these sales will be combined with the remaining maintenance equipment funds to explore purchasing a replacement plow truck.

C.2. Facilities

C.2.a. Monthly Construction Update #12 (Mercer)

Mike Bullinger (RW Mercer) gave an update on the Western Elementary School's completion schedule. At this time, the turnover date is expected to be December 12, 2025.

C.2.b. Furniture Package

Mr. Bullinger also provided an update on the status of the furniture package. A recent meeting was held to discuss the final furnishings and ensure the items are within budget.

C.2.c. Technology Package

The tech budget is anticipated to be available for bid this week.

C.2.d. Groner Park Sale

It is the recommendation of the board to provide authority to the Superintendent to negotiate the sale price of Groner Park. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Kacy Cooper, Passed.

Gale Easton: Absent, Kacy Cooper: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Superintendent Mike Smajda and Board Treasurer Brent Oliver will attend the Param Village meeting. A motion was made and approved to grant the Superintendent the authority to negotiate the sale price of Groner Park.

C.3. Personnel

C.3.a. Resignations

C.3.a.1) Alek Ennis- Western Career Prep High School Teacher

C.3.a.2) Lance Rogers- Bean Elementary Teacher

C.3.a.3) Nick Rulewicz- Western High School Teacher

C.3.b. Appointments

C.3.c. Keegan Sweeney- Varsity Track Assistant

C.3.d. Jacob Collins- Varsity Boys Tennis

C.4. Curriculum

C.4.a. Title I On-Site Review Recap

The Onsite Review on March 4, 2025 yielded positive feedback, with only 4 of the 58 indicators requiring follow-up. Community engagement will be addressed, in addition to follow-up with MDE consultant regarding future requirements. Overall, the consultants praised the district's strong alignment between strategic and school improvement plans and consistent procedures across schools.

C.4.b. Sex Education Advisory Committee Update

The Western SEAB meeting was held at the beginning of March. Curriculum, data analysis and survey adjustments were reviewed. Curriculum updates include abstinence-only programs in the middle school and abstinence-based programs in the high school. A

proposal was made to begin using new curriculum in the fall of 2025 and expand health education for elementary students.

C.5. Policy

D. Other Business:

D.1. Overnight Athletic Trips

D.1.a. Girls' Tennis- Holland, MI

D.1.b. Girls' Tennis- Location TBD

D.2. Student Council-Board Luncheon- Friday, March 14 @ 11am

E. Closed Session:

F. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.