

Regular Meeting
Monday, April 28, 2025 6:00 PM Eastern

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

Kacy Cooper: Present
Gale Easton: Present
Blaine Goodrich: Present
Jason Herrington: Present
Brent Oliver: Present
Dr. John Sheets: Present
Taryn Watterson: Present
Present: 7.

A. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President John Sheets at 6:00pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

C. Approval of Agenda:

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Jason Herrington, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

D. Celebration of Excellence:

E. Building Reports:

E.1. Warner Elementary

Warner Elementary principal, Matt Desmarais, gave an update on Kindergarten Round-Up, recent field trips, state assessments, and other elementary happenings.

E.2. Western Middle School

Western Middle School principal, Brett Hackworth, shared building highlights including the results from their recent staff-student connection survey.

F. Hearing of Citizens:

Public comment was given by Jay Horsfall.

G. Student Council Report:

None.

H. Approval of Minutes:

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the minutes as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton and seconded by Jason Herrington, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

H.1. March 17, 2025 Regular Meeting

H.2. April 4, 2025 Special Meeting

H.3. April 14, 2025 Work Session

I. Treasurer's Report:

I.1. Financial Statements

I.2. Bills for Payment

Board Treasurer, Brent Oliver, gave a brief overview of the approved expenses for March.

I.3. Budgets to Date

I.4. 2025-2026 Budget Discussion

Finance Director, Amber Moore, gave a brief update on the plans for the 2025-2026 budget.

I.5. Call for Public Budget Hearing

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to hold the Public Budget Hearing on May 19, 2025 as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton and seconded by Kacy Cooper, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

I.6. AOS Copier Agreement

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the 5 year contract extension for AOS as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton and seconded by Jason Herrington, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations:

J.1. Personnel

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the appointments and leave of absences as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Brent Oliver, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J.1.a. Resignations

J.1.a.1) Becky Good- MS Cross Country

J.1.a.2) Clara Walt- MS Volleyball

J.1.a.3) Pete Redovich- JV Girls' Basketball

J.1.b. Appointments

J.1.b.1) Carey Baumgardner- Middle School Art Teacher

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the appointment of Carey Baumgardner as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Gale Easton, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J.1.b.2) Payne Blanchard- Elementary Special Education Teacher

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the appointment of Payne Blanchard as presented. This motion, made by Jason Herrington and seconded by Brent Oliver, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J.1.b.3) Emily Stepke- WCPHS Special Education Teacher

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the appointment of Emily Stepke as presented. This motion, made by Kacy Cooper and seconded by Taryn Watterson, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J.1.b.4) Amber Brown- Substitute Bus Driver

J.1.b.5) Kelly Baker- Playground Paraprofessional

J.1.c. Leave of Absence

J.1.c.1) Valerie Ferency

J.2. Facilities

J.2.a. Bulletin #12

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve Bulletin #12 as presented. This motion, made by Jason Herrington and seconded by Blaine Goodrich, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the additional sanitary bulletin purchase up to \$250,000. This motion, made by Jason Herrington and seconded by Blaine Goodrich, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent

Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Superintendent Smajda gave an update on the Bulletin# 12 items and related costs.

J.2.b. Groner Park

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the sale of Groner Park as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Kacy Cooper, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent

Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

J.2.c. Technology Bid Packages

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the bid packages as presented. This motion, made by Taryn Watterson and seconded by Jason Herrington, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent

Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Superintendent Smajda gave an overview of the technology package and requested a motion to approve the bid.

J.3. Curriculum

J.4. Policy

Finance Director, Amber Moore, reviewed the recent ESTA policy as part of the second reading.

J.4.a. ESTA Policy (Second Reading)

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the ESTA policy as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton and seconded by Jason Herrington, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent

Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

K. Board Reports:

Board Trustee, Blaine Goodrich, reminded the board of some upcoming county board dates and the election.

L. Other Business:

L.1. June Board Meeting Change

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Mike Smajda to combine the June 9 work session and June 23 board meeting into one meeting on June 16, due to technology migration. This motion, made by Jason Herrington and seconded by Brent Oliver, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent

Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

L.2. Professional Development Advisory Committee

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the Professional Development Advisory Committee as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by

Taryn Watterson, Passed.

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

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

L.3. 2025-2026 Calendar

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the 2025-2026 calendar as presented. This motion, made by Brent Oliver and seconded by Kacy Cooper, Passed.

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

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Director of Programs, Ryan Tripp, gave an overview of the 2025-2026 calendar, including the use of a few professional development days as instructional time to allow additional time for staff to facilitate a smooth transition to the new elementary building. This would be non-precedent setting.

L.4. Girls' Basketball Trip: June 12-14, Grand Valley State University

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the athletic trip as presented.

This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Brent Oliver, Passed.

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

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

M. Closed Session:

None.

N. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm.