BOARD OF EDUCATION
SHEBOYGAN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Sheboygan, Wisconsin
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 27, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Sheboygan Area School District was held on Tuesday, the 27th day of January, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Administrative Services Building (Boardroom), 3330 Stahl Road, Sheboygan, Wisconsin, as well as members attending via teleconference or other remote access technology. This regular meeting was announced in compliance with the Open Meeting Law of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

President Laster called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

President Laster requested that everyone stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Ms. Hibl, seconded by Ms. Robbins to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Present: Ms. Allie Tasche, Ms. Leah Hibl, Mr. Santino Laster, Ms. Heidi Boehmer, Ms. Denise Wittstock, Ms. Mary Lynne Donohue (arrived at 6:04 p.m.), Mr. Peter Madden, Ms. Kay Robbins

Excused: Ms. Sarah Ruiz-Harrison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Tasche to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of December 9, 2025, and Closed Session meeting minutes of December 9, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

DIPLOMAS

Moved by Ms. Robbins, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept the Curriculum and Instruction Committee recommendation to award high school diplomas (early graduation) to students from Central High School, North High School, South High School, Étude High School, and George D. Warriner High School who are members of the Class of 2026. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Robbins, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept the Curriculum and Instruction Committee recommendation to award high school diplomas to Arianna Lewis, Central High School Class of 2024, and Aliyah Lyles and Blanca Olivas, Central High School Class of 2025. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Derek DiBona, Warriner High School student representative shared the many activities students have been involved in including birding at Maywood, participation in the Lake Sturgeon Bowl, the UW-Green Bay Rising Phoenix program, college bound seniors applying for scholarships, students who are going directly into the workforce have been working with Aspire, as well as students who are involved in youth apprenticeships.

Ms. Adreonna Johnson, Central High School student representative is participating in the dual-enrollment program in the medical field and there are many more students who completed classes through Lakeshore Technical College. The new cell phone policy has been implemented. Students have been involved with community service projects and are looking forward to Career Day.

Dr. Konrath asked Ms. Johnson how she felt the cell phone policy was being received and she responded that it seemed to be going pretty well. He asked her thoughts about the change's legislation was proposing of not allowing cellphones throughout the entire day and she commented that it would be nice to be able to use them during lunch time as it will allow students to take a break from the school day.

Mr. Eric Reilly, Étude High School student representative reported they have formed an esport team and three projects from the Exhibitions of Learning were acknowledged as outstanding in the eyes of students and teachers. High school students are participating in a pen pal series with the middle school students in an effort to have more connection, and he talked about other projects students are working on. Étude is moving away from the traditional student project, rather the entire school will be involved in a play that will be completely student created and student led, and will be showcased at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

COMMUNITY INPUT

There was no community input.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Konrath reported on school choice and that every student is guaranteed enrollment in their neighborhood school. The District will join more than 20 local school districts in partnering with Channel 5 News to recognize exceptional school employees through the Eastern Wisconsin Excellence in Education Awards, and he congratulated students from North and South High School art departments whose artwork was selected for the Wisconsin Art Education Association Art Exhibition at the Neville Public Museum. The Sheboygan Area School District mobile app is ready for download and has an easy-to-navigate and mobile friendly design.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. 2024-2025 Audit Report

Mr. Bryan Grunewald presented the 2024-2025 audit report and thanked business office staff for their responsiveness as it is appreciated when it comes to the role the auditor's have. He discussed the management and auditors' responsibilities and provided a summary of audit results which are complete and accurate, and that the auditor's report is an unmodified opinion. He talked about the Report on Compliance and that any findings that were discussed were or will be addressed. Mr. Boehlke clarified the pupil transportation finding and added that some guidelines were changed to be sure the error does not occur in the future. Mr. Grunewald added that accounting practices have been discussed including GASB 101-Compensated Absences. The fund balance overall has been very consistent even though the District did use fund balance reserves during 2025. He encourages the District to continue our strong budgeting efforts and continue to be proactive with our fund balance expenditures. Other governmental funds, long-term debt, general obligation debt, and other postemployment benefits were discussed. Mr. Grunewald talked about the future GASB regulatory requirements that will be effective for future years. Mr. Boehlke thanked Mr. Grunewald for the audit report and appreciates the great success and experience the District has had using CliftonLarsonAllen services. He also thanked Mr. Spielman and the business office team for all of their work.

Ms. Donohue asked what the statutory debt limit amount is, and Mr. Grunewald responded $643 million and added that even though the District went through a referendum, we remain very low.

B. Charter School Re-Authorization

Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to approve the re-authorization of the George D. Warriner Middle School Charter School Contract for the term of five (5) school years commencing July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2031. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Duff reported that Warriner Middle School's philosophy is project-based learning, personalized learning plans, online course offerings, and flexible scheduling (full day, online, hybrid). Ms. Bruflat, Lead Teacher at Warriner Middle School reported that they have a strong response of parent satisfaction based on their survey information and while the school offers an online option, most students attend in person. Mr. Broten discussed the positive gains in student progress by taking the STAR test and Mr. Duff added that students are very invested in their learning. Mr. Duff reported there are no significant changes to the contract, and he reviewed the goals for the new contract that include 80-100% of students with an SGP of 35 or higher by the spring STAR Reading and Math assessments, 90% of students and families will report a positive satisfaction rate on the spring family and student surveys, and to increase enrollment to 65 students by the 2030-2031 school year. They have also had discussions about creating a goal around academic career planning. Enrollment numbers are down and Mr. Duff believes the market opportunity is in online learning so they will continue to look at different ways to target marketing and promote online learning.

Ms. Donohue asked how many middle school students transfer into high school and Mr. Duff responded roughly 80%. Ms. Robbins asked if the middle school students who attend online are successful, and Ms. Bruflat responded that some struggled but approximately 50% were successful. She added that if students are not engaging, they will be asked to attend in person so that more structures can be provided. Ms. Boehmer is happy they are expanding more online options. Ms. Wittstock asked

about the social/emotional skills that students need when in-person. She likes the choice option and encourages them to think about something else that would set them apart. Mr. Broten added that the online learning experience can look a number of different ways. Each student and family needs are varied, and those issues are worked out with staff.

C. State Budget and Enrollment Update

Dr. Konrath reported on the state of school finance in Wisconsin and how many of his colleagues are very concerned they will not get local support because of the tax increases-thus making it harder to find support for any referendum. He added that the vast majority of school funding comes from the revenue limit. The loss of state aid shows revenue increases that do not keep pace with inflation. He discussed the equalized aid which is the main state portion of the revenue limit and is provided through a formula based on property wealth per pupil (in-district), and not based on student need, cost of education in a given district, or income-level of students' families. Special education reimbursement rates were also highlighted. Superintendents' continue to hear excuses as to why the State cannot fund public and special education at a level equal to the Consumer Price Index (CPI). He discussed the voucher funding and noted that per pupil payments to voucher schools will surpass what is received for public schools. Dr. Konrath added that how we continue to tell our story to our families is important. We are not seeing families leave in high numbers once they have attended the District, and added that there is so much data that shows there is no benefit to voucher schools.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

A. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

1. Diplomas (Early Graduation)

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Ms. Hibl, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept administration's recommendation to award diplomas (early graduation) to students from Central, North, South, Étude, and George D. Warriner High Schools who are members of the Class of 2026 and have met all district requirements for early graduation. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Diplomas

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Ms. Tasche, seconded by Ms. Hibl to accept administration's recommendation to award high school diplomas to Arianna Lewis, Central High School Class of 2024, and Aliyah Lyles and Blanca Olivas, Central High School Class of 2025. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. International Model United Nations Conference Fieldtrip

   Moved by Ms. Robbins, seconded by Ms. Boehmer to accept the Curriculum and Instruction Committee recommendation to approve North High School students to travel to Chicago, Illinois, February 5-8, 2026, to participate in the International Model United Nations Conference. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Ms. Wittstock, seconded by Ms. Hibl to accept administration's recommendation to approve North High School students to travel to Chicago, Illinois, February 5-8, 2026, to participate in the International Model United Nations Conference. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Regular and Special Education Enrollment Caps

   Moved by Ms. Robbins, seconded by Mr. Madden to accept the Curriculum and Instruction Committee recommendation to accept all non-resident open enrollment applications for regular education students for the 2026-2027 school year and to close all non-resident open enrollment applications for special education for the 2026-2027 school year in all programs at every grade level based on caseload formula. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Ms. Hibl, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept administration's recommendation to accept all non-resident open enrollment applications for regular education students for the 2026-2027 school year and to close all non-resident open enrollment applications for special education for the 2026-2027 school year in all programs at every grade level based on caseload formula. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

   Wisconsin ACT 55 requires school districts to set space availability enrollment numbers for open enrollment for both regular and special education students. Ms. Ledezma added that the report is consistent with what the District has done in

previous years. Mr. Ledermann added that administration recommends we do not have open enrollment for special education students.

B. HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Moved by Ms. Hibl, seconded by Ms. Donohue to accept the Human Resources Committee recommendation to approve agenda items #1, #2, and #4. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Appointments

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Ms. Robbins to confirm the following appointments. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

TEACHERS

Karen Bergen	Cross-Categorical	UW-Green Bay	Bachelor's Degree
Sheboygan, WI	South High		$27,466.48 (prorated)

Ms. Bergen has been hired for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. She will be certified in Cross-Categorial Special Education and Biology. She was the only candidate interviewed.

Kelly McCoy	Cross-Categorical	UW-Oshkosh	Bachelor's Degree
Waldo, WI	North High		$29,333.14 (prorated)

Ms. McCoy has been hired for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. She will be certified in Cross-Categorical Special Education. She was one of two candidates interviewed.

ASSISTANT COOKS

Christina Flores	Cooper	December 01, 2025	$16.10 per hour
Scott Rammer	Wilson	December 15, 2025	$15.57 per hour

COOK

Evalina Garcia Garcia	South High	December 03, 2025	$16.39 per hour

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS

Morgan Alten	Early Learning Center	January 05, 2025	$17.65 per hour
Deontaye Brown	CHANGE Academy	January 05, 2025	$17.75 per hour
Michelle Edler	Longfellow	December 10, 2025	$17.23 per hour
Bao Lee	Cooper	December 11, 2025	$17.90 per hour
Courtney McKnight	Early Learning Center	February 02, 2025	$17.20 per hour
Kylie Oliver	Longfellow	January 19, 2026	$17.15 per hour

*Relative of SASD employee

2. Leave of Absence

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Ms. Robbins to approve the following request for a personal leave of absence without compensation. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Rashad Burton	Educational Assistant	Cooper	December 17, 2025 – December 16, 2026

3. Separations

From the committee meeting:
The following separations have been granted:

Cassie Astorga	Educational Assistant	Leadership Academy	December 12, 2025
Sean O'Fallon	Teacher	Central High	December 19, 2025
Tatiana Ruiz	Educational Assistant	South High	December 19, 2025
Edith Torres Ramos	Educational Assistant	Cooper	December 08, 2025
Jordan Turk	Educational Assistant	Jefferson	December 17, 2025

4. Retirements

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Ms. Robbins to grant the following requests to retire and that the employees be recognized for their years of service per board policy. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Tami Brost	Transportation Secretary	Business Services	5.33 years of service
Vicki Crowns	Digital Print Technician	Printing Services	26.50 years of service

C. FACILITIES/RECREATION/THEATRE COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Tasche to accept the Facilities/Recreation/Theatre Committee recommendation to approve agenda items #1 and #2. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Sheboygan Theatre Company Financial Report

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Ruiz-Harrison, seconded by Ms. Tasche to accept the Sheboygan Theatre Company Financial Report through November 30, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brooks reported that fundraising is going very well, and ticket sales are okay.

2. Community Recreation Department Financial Report

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Ruiz-Harrison, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept the Community Recreation Department Financial Report through November 30, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Facility Permit Report

From the committee meeting:
Mr. Brooks presented the Facility Permit Report through December 31, 2025 for information.

D. FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Moved by Ms. Boehmer, seconded by Ms. Donohue to accept the Finance and Budget Committee recommendation to approve agenda items #1, #2, #3, and #4. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Boehmer, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept the Finance and Budget Committee recommendation to approve agenda items #5, #6, and #7. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Fund 41 Capital Projects

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Donohue to approve the Fund 41 Capital Projects through November 30, 2025, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Statement of Cash Flow

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to approve the Statement of Cash Flow through November 30, 2025, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Revenues and Expenditures Reports

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Donohue to approve the Revenues & Expenditures reports through November 30, 2025, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Budget Revisions and Transfers of Appropriations

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to approve the Budget Revisions and Transfers reports through November 30, 2025, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FUND (FUND 10)	Revised Budget 10-31-25	Revised Budget 11-30-25	Budget Increase (Decrease)
REVENUES			
100 Transfers-in	**0.00**	**0.00**	0.00
Local Sources 210 Taxes	27,983,748.00	27,983,748.00	0.00
240 Payments for Services Provided Local Governments	0.00	0.00	0.00
260 Non-Capital Sales	416,282.93	424,086.89	7,803.96
270 School Activity Income	320,773.83	155,503.27	(165,270.56)
280 Interest on Investments	2,268,155.00	2,268,155.00	0.00
290 Other Revenue, Local Sources	203,091.31	205,384.59	2,293.28
Subtotal Local Sources	**31,192,051.07**	**31,036,877.75**	(155,173.32)
Other School Districts Within Wisconsin 340 Payments for Services	**2,495,194.00**	**2,495,194.00**	0.00
Revenue from Intermediate Sources 510 Transit of Aids	**18,173.00**	**18,173.00**	0.00
State Sources 610 State Aid -- Categorical	1,140,774.00	1,140,774.00	0.00
620 State Aid -- General	89,579,870.00	89,579,870.00	0.00
630 DPI Special Project Grants	46,600.00	46,600.00	0.00
640 Payments for Services	143,000.00	143,000.00	0.00
650 Student Achievement Guarantee in Education	1,638,000.00	1,661,838.62	23,838.62
660 Other State Revenue Through Local Units	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
690 Other Revenue	8,074,866.00	8,074,866.00	0.00
Subtotal State Sources	**100,638,110.00**	**100,661,948.62**	23,838.62
Federal Sources 710 Transit of Aids	113,573.00	132,759.00	19,186.00
730 DPI Special Project Grants	2,093,755.46	2,132,105.46	38,350.00
750 IASA Grants	2,377,081.00	2,377,081.00	0.00
780 Other Federal Revenue Through State	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00
790 Other Revenue from Federal Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Federal Sources	**4,884,409.46**	**4,941,945.46**	57,536.00
Other Financing Sources 860 Compensation, Fixed Assets	**14,007.00**	**14,007.00**	0.00
Other Revenues 960 Adjustments	0.00	0.00	0.00
970 Refund of Disbursement	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
990 Miscellaneous	324,108.15	324,108.15	0.00
Subtotal Other Revenues	**424,108.15**	**424,108.15**	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES	**139,666,052.68**	**139,592,253.98**	(73,798.70)

EXPENDITURES	Revised Budget 10-31-25	Revised Budget 11-30-25	Budget Increase (Decrease)
Instruction			
110 000 Undifferentiated Curriculum	24,121,329.00	24,933,654.37	812,325.37
120 000 Regular Curriculum	31,480,163.25	31,858,313.21	378,149.96
130 000 Vocational Curriculum	3,096,993.15	3,431,249.48	334,256.33
140 000 Physical Curriculum	3,030,572.00	3,035,894.00	5,322.00
160 000 Co-Curricular Activities	1,439,282.80	1,477,053.37	37,770.57
170 000 Other Special Needs	512,660.00	512,584.00	(76.00)
Subtotal Instruction	**63,681,000.20**	**65,248,748.43**	1,567,748.23
Support Sources			
210 000 Pupil Services	6,674,154.46	6,981,431.37	307,276.91
220 000 Instructional Staff Services	4,462,076.85	6,096,040.07	1,633,963.22
230 000 General Administration	1,758,861.15	1,944,961.15	186,100.00
240 000 School Building Administration	7,946,748.45	8,813,021.55	866,273.10
250 000 Business Administration	16,268,420.40	16,433,488.86	165,068.46
260 000 Central Services	553,436.00	798,144.00	244,708.00
270 000 Insurance & Judgments	1,403,861.00	1,403,861.00	0.00
280 000 Debt Services	1,700.00	1,700.00	0.00
290 000 Other Support Services	2,337,915.00	2,453,063.00	115,148.00
Subtotal Support Sources	**41,407,173.31**	**44,925,711.00**	3,518,537.69
Non-Program Transactions			
410 000 Inter-fund Transfers	14,039,919.00	14,039,919.00	0.00
430 000 Instructional Service Payments	20,538,035.17	20,549,007.87	10,972.70
490 000 Other Non-Program Transactions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal Non-Program Transactions	**34,577,954.17**	**34,588,926.87**	10,972.70
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**139,666,127.68**	**144,763,386.30**	5,097,258.62

SPECIAL EDUCATION (FUND 27)	Revised Budget 10-31-25	Revised Budget 11-30-25	Change in Budget
TOTAL REVENUES	**25,400,405.26**	**25,484,779.13**	84,373.87
100 000 Instruction	21,250,436.26	21,300,686.26	50,250.00
200 000 Support Services	4,099,969.00	4,184,092.87	84,123.87
400 000 Non-Program Transactions	50,000.00	0.00	(50,000.00)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**25,400,405.26**	**25,484,779.13**	84,373.87

5. Introduction (First Reading) of Revised Board of Education Policy 7440.03 – Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Donohue to approve the introduction (first reading) of revised Board of Education Policy 7440.03 – Property; Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS). All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Introduction (First Reading) of Revised Board of Education Policy 7450 – Property Inventory

   From the committee meeting:
   Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to approve the introduction (first reading) of revised Board of Education Policy 7450 – Property; Property Inventory. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Introduction (First Reading) of Revised Board of Education Policy 7455 – Accounting System for Capital Assets

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to approve the introduction (first reading) of revised Board of Education Policy 7455 – Property; Accounting System for Capital Assets. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Gifts

Moved by Ms. Boehmer, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to accept the Finance and Budget Committee recommendation to accept all gifts to the District. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

From the committee meeting:
Moved by Ms. Donohue, seconded by Mr. Madden to accept all gifts to the District, approving those $2,500 and greater. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Gift	Donor	Building/Program	Amount
For Information			
Monetary	Robert/Barbara Nimz	South/Wrestling	20.00
Monetary	Andrew/Amanda Denson	North/Boys Soccer	30.00
Monetary	Jose Nazario Reyes	North/Boys Soccer	100.00
Monetary	Carol Van Hooser	SASD McKinney-Vento Program	100.00
Monetary	Lindsay Krell	SASD McKinney-Vento Program	120.00
Monetary	Annelle Anderson	North/Library	150.00
Student Model Trombone	Elizabeth Madgwick	Horace Mann/Band	150.00
Monetary	Rockline Industries	North/Wrestling	250.00
Monetary	Leading Edge Fundraising	North/Boys Soccer	348.00
Monetary	Vollrath Company	Central High	500.00
¾ String Bass	Kris Howley	Farnsworth/Orchestra	800.00
Monetary	William Becker	South/Wrestling	1,000.00
Monetary	Melei, Petsche & Spencer, LTD	North/Boys Soccer	1,000.00
Monetary	Knights of Columbus	North/Choir	300.00
Monetary	Sheboygan Evening Lions Club	North/Choir	200.00
Monetary	Michael Huibregtse	Sheboygan Theatre Company	250.00
Monetary	Jim/Ellen Danielsen	Sheboygan Theatre Company	50.00
Monetary	Kohler Company	Sheboygan Theatre Company	150.00
Monetary	Judy Gutschow	Sheboygan Theatre Company	50.00
Monetary	Matthew/Denice Klett	Sheboygan Theatre Company	150.00
Monetary	Jackie Blindauer	Sheboygan Theatre Company	405.00
Monetary	Rockline Industries	Sheboygan Theatre Company	500.00
Monetary	Michael Roehl	Sheboygan Theatre Company	125.00
Monetary	Kao Xiong	Sheboygan Theatre Company	100.00
Monetary	Laurie Turner	Sheboygan Theatre Company	59.42
Monetary	Larry/Cindy Huhn	Sheboygan Theatre Company	100.00
Monetary	Randy Stache	Sheboygan Theatre Company	59.42
Monetary	Paul/Sheila Ryan	Sheboygan Theatre Company	500.00
Monetary	Kathleen Beuttenmueller	Sheboygan Theatre Company	100.00
Monetary	Linda Diedrich	Sheboygan Theatre Company	60.00
Monetary	Sheb Performing Arts Fdtn DBA Community Playlist	Sheboygan Theatre Company	1,500.00
Monetary	Charles/Carrie Green	Sheboygan Theatre Company	100.00
Monetary	Cathy Jacoby	Sheboygan Theatre Company	59.42
Monetary	Elizabeth Cardimona	Sheboygan Theatre Company	55.00
Monetary	Tim/Sandra Lorenz	Sheboygan Theatre Company	100.00
Monetary	Ralph/Alice Maffongelli	Sheboygan Theatre Company	25.00
Monetary	Amy Warren	Sheboygan Theatre Company	250.00
Monetary	Robert Klitzke	Sheboygan Theatre Company	25.00
Monetary	Patty Chapman	Sheboygan Theatre Company	55.00
Monetary	Laura/Jim Conklin	Sheboygan Theatre Company	150.00
Action			
Monetary	Richard/Julie Leonhard	North/Red Raider Robotics	2,500.00

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. President Laster called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. President Laster requested that everyone stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Moved by Ms. Robbins, seconded by Ms. Tasche to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Present: Ms. Allie Tasche, Ms. Leah Hibl, Mr. Peter Madden, Ms. Kay Robbins, Mr. Santino Laster, Ms. Sarah Ruiz-Harrison, Ms. Mary Lynne Donohue, Ms. Denise Wittstock; Excused: Ms. Heidi Boehmer

5. Purchase of Property for Future House Construction Program

   Moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Ms. Wittstock to approve administration's recommendation to make an offer of $107,800 to Stonebrook Crossing, LLC, for lots #75 and #76 in the Stonebrook Crossing subdivision located to the East of South Business Drive (CTH "OK"). Closing would be on January 30, 2026. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

   Mr. Duff reported that we have had our house construction projects in the Stonebrook Crossing since 2021 and have had good success since 2017 with turning a profit on each of the homes that we sold specifically for this purpose of purchasing additional lots to keep the program alive and strong.

6. WASB Proposed Resolutions

   Dr. Konrath noted that Mr. Madden will be representing the Sheboygan Area School District as our WASB Assembly Delegate during the Wisconsin State Education Convention. He further noted that tonight the School Board has an opportunity to provide feedback to Mr. Madden regarding how they would like him to vote on the resolutions which will be brought before the WASB Delegate Assembly on January 21, 2026. Mr. Madden explained that there are twelve resolutions being forwarded to the Delegate Assembly, and the resolutions were included in tonight's Board packet. He highlighted that one Emergency Resolution was received today, January 13, 2026, from the Wisconsin Heights School District with regard to special education categorical aid. Mr. Madden provided information regarding the emergency resolution. Mr. Madden noted that there are two resolutions pertaining to "decoupling", #10 supporting "decoupling" and #11 opposing "decoupling". Both resolutions cannot remain live on the agenda. After discussions, it was determined that the Board was in favor of all the resolutions except #10 Supporting "Decoupling" of Public and Private School Funding. The Board members were in consensus of not supporting the proposed amendment to the WASB Bylaws.

7. School Finance Update

   Dr. Konrath presented a school finance presentation regarding the fiscal impact of declining enrollment in Wisconsin from the Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials (WASBO) which was created by Anne Chapman, WASBO Research Director. This was presented at a CESA 1 and WASBO workshop. He highlighted that there were attendees at this CESA 1 workshop from all over the State, in which it is not normal for districts to attend a CESA workshop outside of their district. Dr. Konrath noted he was only going to highlight a few of the slides, and that he wanted the Board to have this information for their own information and knowledge as it is very informational and important. The presentation included information about what declining enrollment means and what the State budget means and the impacts.

8. Farnsworth and Urban Middle Schools Referendum Update

   Dr. Konrath provided a slideshow of an interior walkthrough view of Farnsworth and Urban construction projects. Dr. Konrath noted that things are coming along nicely with the referendum projects at Farnsworth and Urban Middle Schools, and we are doing good from a budget standpoint and feeling good about the services that the Quasius Construction/C.D. Smith team and Bray Architects are providing. He noted administration will have a solar update at an upcoming meeting.

9. Moved by Ms. Ruiz-Harrison, seconded by Ms. Hibl to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

F. SPECIAL BOARD/COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

1. Legislative Roundtable – Dr. Konrath reported that they continue to discuss education funding issues.
2. Sheboygan Public Education Foundation – Ms. Wittstock shared information from the January 14, 2026 meeting including the All in for Education event that was a success and will continue as the main fundraiser for the Foundation. Scholarship season is in full force and the first year of digital scholarship applications is going well.

3. Human Growth and Development Citizens' Advisory Committee – Ms. Tasche shared information from the December 8, 2025 and January 12, 2026 minutes adding that the committee will continue working on content and additional meetings will be added to the calendar due to some of the content they are discussing.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

February 10, 2026 – Committee meetings at 6:00 p.m.
February 24, 2026 - Regular Board of Education meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

Moved by Ms. Wittstock, seconded by Ms. Hibl to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. to Closed Session per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) – To consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Board of Education has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – To consider possible modifications to the employment contract of the Superintendent of Schools. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously (Tasche, Hibl, Madden, Robbins, Laster, Boehmer, Donohue, Wittstock).

Moved by Ms. Wittstock, seconded by Ms. Robbins to reconvene at 8:02 p.m. to Open Session. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Wittstock, seconded by Ms. Boehmer to extend the contract for Jacob Konrath, Superintendent of Schools for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Hibl, seconded by Ms. Tasche to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Jacob Konrath, Ph.D.
Superintendent & Secretary of the Board