

Board Work Session
Monday, June 8, 2026 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: Absent
Brent Oliver: Present
Dr. John Sheets: Present
Taryn Watterson: Present
Present: 6, Absent: 1.

A. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by President John Sheets following the budget hearing at 6:21pm.

B. Hearing of Citizens:
None.

C. Committee of the Whole:

C.1. Finance

C.1.a. Financial Reports

C.1.b. Check Register

Finance Director, Amber Moore, provided clarifications for specific line items on the check register. In addition, the disposition of surplus items at the 3 elementary buildings was discussed. Some items have been sold, while others will still be sold or offered to local organizations.

C.1.c. Budgets to Date

Discussion occurred regarding the Food Service budget and the implementation of new menu options. Collaboration between the elementary admin and Food Service Director regarding best practices at the new elementary is ongoing.
The overall budget and timing of state aid payments was also discussed.

C.1.d. 2025-2026 Budget Amendment Discussion

An amendment is anticipated for the next board meeting.

C.1.e. 2026-2027 Budget Resolution

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the 2026-2027 Budget Resolution as presented. This motion, made by Brent Oliver and seconded by Blaine Goodrich, Passed.

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

Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

C.1.f. 2026 L-4029

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the L-4029 as presented.
This motion, made by Brent Oliver and seconded by Taryn Watterson, Passed.

Jason Herrington: Absent, Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea,
Brent Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

C.1.g. State Aid Note Borrowing Discussion

The current recommendation is not to finance or borrow additional funds to offset the month we do not receive state aid (September) to avoid interest.

C.1.h. School Bond Loan Fund Application

Action regarding this item will be taken at the next budget meeting.

C.1.i. Bond Budget Discussion

A discussion was held regarding the final bond budget and the project closeout process. All previously approved projects have been accounted for, and a plan should now be in place to fully expend the account and formally close it within the required time frame. Action will be taken at the next board meeting.

C.1.j. Audit Engagement Letter

The auditors are scheduled to be on-site in early August, and the district is on pace for this plan.

C.2. Facilities

The Village of Parma is interested in acquiring Parma Elementary School as is. The Board has received an interest letter on behalf of the Village of Parma. No action is required tonight, but a recommendation is forthcoming.

C.2.a. Parma Elementary

C.2.b. W.E. Construction Update

The main focus at W.E. is spray acoustical soundproofing on the ceilings of the special classrooms to reduce noise. If this initial approach isn't enough, there's potential to fill in the sliding wall and add carpet. Landscaping and lawn work are ongoing.

C.2.c. Middle School Bleachers

A recommendation has been made to purchase and install new bleachers in the Western Middle School gymnasium. Action will be taken at the next regular board meeting.

C.3. Personnel

There are several resignations and appointments, including proposals to renew administrator contracts and provided WEA milestone bonuses.

Action regarding these times will be taken at the next regular board meeting.

C.3.a. Resignations

C.3.a.1) Brandon Baum-WCPHS Program Director

C.3.a.2) Rachael Vivian- WCPHS Teacher

C.3.a.3) Dawn Hitt- JV Girls' Basketball

C.3.a.4) Brent Hall- Varsity Girls' Tennis

C.3.b. Appointments

C.3.b.1) Douglas Blume- WCPHS Program Director

C.3.b.2) Lindsey Walicki- Kdg Teacher

C.3.b.3) Kelsey Lindquist- 2nd Gd Teacher

C.3.b.4) Katelyn Smilowski- 4th Gd Teacher

C.3.b.5) Brendan Mulcahy- 4th Gd Teacher

C.3.b.6) Gracie Russell- 3rd Gd Teacher

C.3.b.7) Jahayza Choat- 3rd Gd Teacher

C.3.b.8) Madison Campbell- 2nd Gd Teacher

C.3.b.9) Lauren Staal- 5th Gd Teacher

C.3.b.10) Jocie Berry- 8th Gd ELA Teacher

C.3.b.11) Sue DeSimpelare-MS Girls' Basketball

C.3.b.12) Sara Green- Freshman Girls' Volleyball

C.3.c. Contract Non-Renewal

C.3.c.1) Bill Loveday-Technical Services Specialist

C.3.d. Administrator Contract Renewals 26-27

C.3.e. WEA Milestone Bonus 25-26 LOA

C.4. Curriculum

C.5. Policy

D. Other Business:

D.1. July Board Meeting Dates

A recommendation was made to cancel the July 13, 2026 board meeting and only hold the July 27, 2026 meeting.

Action will be taken at the next board meeting regarding this change.

D.2. Volleyball Overnight Trip

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the overnight athletic trip. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Gale Easton, Passed.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

D.3. Girls' Basketball Overnight

E. Closed Session:

At 7:24pm a motion was made by Kacy Cooper and supported by Brent Oliver to move into closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Unanimous verbal support was given by all other members.

Closed session was adjourned at 8:03pm.

E.1. WESSU Negotiations

F. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brent Oliver", is located in the lower right quadrant of the page.