M I N U T E S

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District
Board of Education Meeting
Careerline Tech Center (CTC)
Wednesday, June 10, 2026
4:10 p.m.

Present:	**Others Present:**
Jennifer Cymbola	Linda Brasser
Rick Dernberger	Chris Lamer
Marc Eickholt	Kyle Mayer
Randy Schipper	Mike Rohwer
John Siemion	Dave Searles
	Marcie Ver Beek
	Jennifer Wolters

President Randy Schipper called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Chris Lamer provided an update to the board on the ongoing construction project.

Dave Searles shared an update on a new and growing partnership aimed at expanding career and technical education opportunities for alternative high school students through OAISD MTEC.

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to amend the agenda and add a new item, #24: Consider the Ottawa Service Employees Association (OSEA) Agreement. Motion carried, 5-0

President Randy Schipper asked for public comment. There was none.

Board Presentation: Presentation of the 2026-2027 Proposed Budgets, Chris Lamer

President Randy Schipper asked for public comment related to the 2026-2027 proposed budgets. There was none.

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve the consent agenda as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

Included in the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the May 20, 2026, Regular and Closed Session Meetings
- Out of State Travel Requests
- Monthly Financial Statements and Bills

  Bill List:

General Education Fund	$	3,506,408.67
Special Education Fund	$	6,483,658.30
Enhancement Millage Fund	$	56,613.09
Vocational Education Fund	$	382,557.73
Cooperative Services Fund	$	43,136.20

Student Activity Fund	$	4,954.63
Capital Projects Fund	$	843,604.54
Bond Construction	$	936,149.15
Total	$	12,257,082.31

- Staffing Report
  New Hires:

Name	***Position***	***Type***	***Building/Dept***
Jacob Mulder	Technology Services Technician I	Replacement	Technology Services
Lauren King	Behavior Assistant	Replacement	OAC
Jason Collins	Behavior Assistant	Replacement	OAC
Abigail Sawicki	Floating Aide	Replacement	OAC

Resignations/Retirements/Terminations:

Name	***Position***	***Action***	***Building/Dept***
Michael Mummert	Lead District IT Specialist	Retirement	Technology Services
Jasmine Morse	Aide	Resignation	OAC
Ryan Meppelink	Teacher	Resignation	CTC
Margo Laug	AP Process Procurement Specialist	Resignation	Business Services

Chris Lamer reviewed the recommendation with the Board for approval of the resolutions authorizing millage levies for General Education, Special Education, Vocational Education, and Enhancement Education. A motion was made by Rick Dernberger and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve the resolution certifying the millage rates for 2026-2027.

The millage resolution is as follows:

GENERAL EDUCATION FUND:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has authority to levy **0.1137** mills for general fund operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with the requirements of the Truth-in-Taxation Act (Act 5 of 1982), thereby enabling it to levy the full **0.1137** mills for the general fund operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems **0.1137** mills necessary for general fund operating purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does hereby determine to levy, in **2026**, **0.1137** mills for general fund operating purposes on all taxable property with the School District.

2. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to promptly certify, or cause to be promptly certified, said **0.1137** mill general fund operating levy to the clerk or other appropriate official of each local tax collecting unit situated in whole or in part within the Ottawa

Area Intermediate School District and of each local school district situated within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

3. That such certification shall be made by certified copy of this resolution and such other documentation as may be required by law for collection of said levy; and

4. That the total **2026** general fund operating levy of **0.1137** mills, be levied and collected in the summer (July) of **2026** in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has agreements (either on its own behalf or through the local school district(s)) for collection of said summer tax levy pursuant to Sections 1611 through 1613 of the School Code of 1976, as amended; and that in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does not have such agreements, the total **2026** general fund operating levy of **0.1137** mills shall be levied and collected in the winter (December) of **2026**.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has authority to levy **4.3750** mills for special education operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with the requirements of the Truth-in-Taxation Act (Act 5 of 1982), thereby enabling it to levy the full **4.3750** mills for special education operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems **4.3750** mills necessary for special education operating purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does hereby determine to levy, in **2026, 4.3750** mills for special education operating purposes on all taxable property with the School District.

2. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to promptly certify, or cause to be promptly certified, said **4.3750** mill special education operating levy to the clerk or other appropriate official of each local tax collecting unit situated in whole or in part within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District and of each local school district situated within Ottawa Area Intermediate School District:

3. That such certification shall be made by certified copy of this resolution and such other documentation as may be required by law for collection of said levy; and

4. That the total **2026** special education operating levy of **4.3750** mills, be levied and collected in the summer (July) of **2026** in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has agreements (either on its own behalf or through the local school district(s)) for collection of said summer tax levy pursuant to Sections 1611 through 1613 of the School Code of 1976, as amended; and that in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does not have such agreements, the total **2026** special

education operating levy of **4.3750** mills shall be levied and collected in the winter (December) of **2026**.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FUND:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has authority to levy **0.9626** mills for vocational education operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with the requirements of the Truth-in-Taxation Act (Act 5 of 1982), thereby enabling it to levy the full **0.9626** mills for vocational education operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems **0.9626** mills necessary for vocational education operating purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does hereby determine to levy, in **2026**, **0.9626** mills for vocational education operating purposes on all taxable property with the School District.

2. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to promptly certify, or cause to be promptly certified, said **0.9626** mills vocational education operating levy to the clerk or other appropriate official of each local tax collecting unit situated in whole or in part within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District and of each local school district situated within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District:

3. That such certification shall be made by certified copy of this resolution and such other documentation as may be required by law for collection of said levy; and

4. That the total **2026** vocational education operating levy of **0.9626** mills, be levied and collected in the summer (July) of **2026** in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has agreements (either on its own behalf or through the local school district(s)) for collection of said summer tax levy pursuant to Sections 1611 through 1613 of the School Code of 1976, as amended; and that in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does not have such agreements, the total **2026** vocational education operating levy of **0.9626** mills shall be levied and collected in the winter (December) of **2026**.

ENHANCEMENT EDUCATION FUND:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has authority to levy **0.8423** mills for enhancement fund operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with the requirements of the Truth-in-Taxation Act (Act 5 of 1982), thereby enabling it to levy the full **0.8423** mills for the enhancement fund operating purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems **0.8423** mills necessary for enhancement fund operating purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

5. That the Board of Education of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does hereby determine to levy, in **2026**, **0.8423** mills for enhancement fund operating purposes on all taxable property with the School District.

6. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to promptly certify, or cause to be promptly certified, said **0.8423** mill enhancement fund operating levy to the clerk or other appropriate official of each local tax collecting unit situated in whole or in part within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District and of each local school district situated within the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

7. That such certification shall be made by certified copy of this resolution and such other documentation as may be required by law for collection of said levy; and

8. That the total **2026** enhancement fund operating levy of **0.8423** mills, be levied and collected in the summer (July) of **2026** in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District has agreements (either on its own behalf or through the local school district(s)) for collection of said summer tax levy pursuant to Sections 1611 through 1613 of the School Code of 1976, as amended; and that in all local tax collecting units where the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District does not have such agreements, the total **2026** enhancement fund operating levy of **0.8423** mills shall be levied and collected in the winter (December) of **2026**.

Roll Call Vote:
YES: Jennifer Cymbola, Rick Dernberger, Marc Eickholt, Randy Schipper, and John Siemion
NO: None
Resolution declared adopted, 5-0

A motion was made by Marc Eickholt and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve the budget resolutions adopting the 2026-2027 General Education Operating Fund, Cooperative Education Fund, Special Education Operating Fund, Vocational Education Operating Fund, Enhancement Fund and Student Activity Fund budgets.

The budget resolutions are as follows:

GENERAL EDUCATION FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the general education fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenues:

Local	$ 3,513,613
State	$ 38,368,433
Federal	$ 1,935,103
Incoming Transfers & Other Transactions	$ 6,875,297
Total Revenue	$ 50,692,446
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026	$ 4,269,808
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$ 54,962,254

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $52,447,040, of the total available to appropriate in the general fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:

Instruction:	
Basic Programs	$1,646
Added Needs	$ 300
Support Services:	
Pupil	$ 277,086
Instructional Staff	$ 7,645,011
General Administration	$ 646,072
Business Services	$ 1,799,042
Operation & Maintenance	$ 670,046
Transportation	$ 26,616
Central Support Services	$ 4,996,833
Community Activities	$ 476,446
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	$ 35,907,942
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	$ 52,447,040
Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027	$ 2,515,214

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the cooperative education fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenue:

Local .....$ 1,109,263

State .....$ 637,840
Federal……...$ 0
Incoming Transfers & Other Transactions .....$ 9,115,713
Total Revenue .....$ 10,862,816
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026.....$ 1,087,035

TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE $11,949,851

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $10,852,961 of the total available to appropriate in the cooperative education fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:
Support Services:
Pupil Support.....$ 0
Instructional Staff .....$ 128,051
Business Services.....$ 1,663,470
Central Support Services .....$ 6,876,888
Other Support Services.....$ 1,912,000
Community Activities.....$ 183,156
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions .....$ 89,396

TOTAL APPROPRIATED.....$ 10,852,961

Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027.....$ 1,096,890

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of

the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the special education fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenues:	
Local	$ 97,178,807
State	$ 21,868,692
Federal	$ 14,575,271
Incoming Transfers & Other Transactions	$ 137,808
Total Revenue	$ 133,760,578
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026	$ 10,245,017
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$ 144,005,595

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $136,337,498 of the total available to appropriate in the special education fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:

Instruction:

Basic Programs	$ 0
Added Needs	$ 14,647,532

Support Services:

Pupil Support	$ 16,620,210
Instructional Staff Services	$ 2,882,188
General Administration	$ 17,363
School Administration	$ 1,871,517
Business Services	$ 291,642
Operation & Maintenance	$ 2,197,861
Transportation Services	$ 3,992,332
Central Support Services	$ 1,794,947
Support Services Other	$ 550
Community Activities	$ 4000
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	$ 92,017,356

TOTAL APPROPRIATED	$ 136,337,498
Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027	$ 7,668,097

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the vocational education fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenues:	
Local	$ 22,948,749
State	$ 3,688,331
Federal	$ 1,086,800
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	$ 42,000
Total Revenue	$ 27,765,880
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026	$ 1,687,309
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$ 29,453,189

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $28,777,221 of the total available to appropriate in the vocational fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:	
Instruction:	
Added Needs	$ 10,459,922
Continuing Education	$ 831,408
Support Services:	
Pupil Support Services	$ 2,810,984

Instructional Staff Services	$ 3,369,056
General Administration	$ 15,000
School Administration	$ 816,087
Business Services	$ 90,950
Operation & Maintenance	$ 2,073,843
Transportation Services	$ 149,350
Central Services	$ 471,791
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	$ 7,688,830
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	$ 28,777,221
Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027	$ 675,968

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

ENHANCEMENT FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the enhancement fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenues:	
Local	$ 17,984,565
Total Revenue	$ 17,984,565
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026	$ 0
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$ 17,984,565

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $17,984,565 of the total available to appropriate in the enhancement fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:	
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	$ 17,984,565
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	$ 17,984,565
Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027	$ 0

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTTAWA AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027; AN ACT to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the student activity fund of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, is as follows:

Revenues:	
Local	$ 146,770
Total Revenue	$ 146,770
Estimated Fund Balance July 1, 2026	$ 387,796
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$ 534,566

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $113,340 of the total available to appropriate in the student activity fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

Expenditures:

Support Services:
Other Support Services.....$ 113,340

TOTAL APPROPRIATED.....$ 113,340

Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027.....$ 421,226

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, for purposes of meeting emergency needs of the school district, changes in appropriations may be made upon the written authorization of the Superintendent. When the Superintendent makes a change in appropriations as permitted by this resolution, such change shall be presented to the Board of Education in the form of an appropriations act amendment, which shall be adopted by the Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2026.

Roll Call Vote:
YES: Jennifer Cymbola, Rick Dernberger, Marc Eickholt, Randy Schipper, and John Siemion
NO: None
Resolution declared adopted, 5-0

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Marc Eickholt to approve the 2025-2026 budget amendments as proposed. Chris Lamer reviewed the final 2025-2026 budget amendments with the board. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Rick Dernberger and seconded by John Siemion to approve the proposed 2026-2027 wage and salary recommendations as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by John Siemion to approve the proposed 2025-2026 administrative merit pay stipends as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Marc Eickholt to approve the OAEA ratified agreement as proposed**.** Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by John Siemion to adopt the resolution to move to West Michigan Workers Compensation Group as the provider for $120,889, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote:
YES: Jennifer Cymbola, Rick Dernberger, Marc Eickholt, Randy Schipper, and John Siemion
NO: None
Resolution declared adopted, 5-0

A motion was made by Rick Dernberger and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve the CTC West Graphic Arts classroom furniture purchase recommended by GMB for $67,453 as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Marc Eickholt to approve the purchase of 172 student laptop computer systems from CDW-G via the REMC SPOT program for $135,880 as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Marc Eickholt and seconded by John Siemion to approve the purchase of 39 staff laptop computer systems and 23 docking stations from CDW-G via the REMC SPOT program for $35,410 as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by John Siemion to approve the purchase of 58 desktop computers from ByteSpeed for a total of $101,790 as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by Marc Eickholt to approve the purchase of the Microsoft EES licenses from CDW-G via the REMC for $70,696.19 as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Marc Eickholt and seconded by Rick Dernberger to approve the purchase and use of the Subject AI Curriculum as the online platform for SPS and YAS for $45,000, as proposed**.** Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve the Careerline Tech Center (CTC), Sheldon Pines School (SPS), Ottawa Area Center (OAC), and Young Adult Services (YAS) calendars for the 2026-2027 school year as proposed. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Rick Dernberger and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to approve Michele Sunde as Coopersville's representative for the Parent Advisory Committee as proposed. Motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by Rick Dernberger to approve Lori Smolinski for the Ottawa Area Educational Fund Council appointment as recommended. Motion carried, 5-0.

AMMENDED ADDED ITEM #24:
A motion was made by Randy Schipper and seconded by Rick Dernberger to approve the OSEA ratified agreement as proposed**.** Motion carried, 5-0.

The board received, for informational purposes:

- Section 98b Goal Reporting
- Thank you/ Kids Food Basket
- Media Packet
- Line Item and Check Register

A motion was made by John Siemion and seconded by Jennifer Cymbola to move into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268 Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation and contract.

Roll Call Vote:
YES: Jennifer Cymbola, Rick Dernberger, Marc Eickholt, Randy Schipper, and John Siemion
NO: None Motion carried, 5-0.

The Board of Education moved into closed session at 5:02 p.m.

The Board of Education came out of closed session at 5:13 p.m. and continued the regular meeting.

A motion was made by Jennifer Cymbola and seconded by John Siemion to approve the Superintendent's contract as proposed.

Roll Call Vote:
YES: Jennifer Cymbola, Rick Dernberger, Marc Eickholt, Randy Schipper, and John Siemion
NO: None
Motion carried, 5-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

John Siemion
Secretary for the Board