

Regular Meeting
Monday, June 22, 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 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 Brent Oliver, 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. Celebration of Excellence:

E. Building Reports:

E.1. Introduction of New Staff!

Our Western School District administrators introduced our incoming new teachers to the board.

F. Hearing of Citizens:

Public comment was given by Brandon Bradley.

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 Brent Oliver, 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

H.1. May 18, 2026 Regular Meeting

H.2. June 8, 2026 Work Session

H.3. June 8, 2026 Budget Hearing

I. Treasurer's Report:

I.1. Financial Statements

I.2. Bills for Payment

Treasurer, Brent Oliver, confirmed the amount that was approved for the May check register.

I.3. Budgets to Date

I.4. 2025-2026 Budget Amendment Resolution

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to accept the 2025-2026 Budget Resolution 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

Finance Director, Amber Moore, gave an overview of the proposed budget amendments for the 2025-2026 school year.

I.5. School Bond Loan Fund Application

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to accept the School Bond Loan Fund Application as presented. This motion, made by Brent Oliver and seconded by Kacy Cooper, 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

Amber Moore provided information regarding the School Bond Loan Fund application, seeking approval from the board to proceed.

I.6. 2022 Bond Budget Approval

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to acknowledge and accept the 2022 Bond Budget as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton 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

Amber Moore shared the information regarding spending the bond budget in the recommended time frame.

I.7. Audit Engagement Letter

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to acknowledge the Audit Engagement Letter as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton 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

I.8. Charging Cart Purchase

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approved the purchase as presented.

This motion, made by Taryn Watterson and seconded by Brent Oliver, 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

J. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations:

J.1. Personnel

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the personnel report as presented. This motion, made by Kacy Cooper 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

J.1.a. Resignations

J.1.a.1) Brandon Baum-WCPHS Program Director

J.1.a.2) Rachael Vivian- WCPHS Teacher

J.1.a.3) Sarah Anderson- 2nd Gd Teacher

J.1.a.4) Nikki Turner- 1st Gd Teacher

J.1.a.5) Dawn Hitt- JV Girls' Basketball

J.1.a.6) Brent Hall- Varsity Girls' Tennis

J.1.b. Appointments

J.1.b.1) Douglas Blume- WCPHS Program Director

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

J.1.b.2) Lindsey Walicki- Kdg Teacher

J.1.b.3) Kelsey Lindquist- 2nd Gd Teacher

J.1.b.4) Katelyn Smilowski- 4th Gd Teacher

J.1.b.5) Brendan Mulcahy- 4th Gd Teacher

J.1.b.6) Gracie Russell- 3rd Gd Teacher

J.1.b.7) Jahayza Choat- 3rd Gd Teacher

J.1.b.8) Madison Campbell- 2nd Gd Teacher & Varsity Comp. Cheer

J.1.b.9) Lauren Staal- 5th Gd Teacher

J.1.b.10) Jocie Berry- 8th Gd ELA Teacher

J.1.b.11) Mark Beougher- WCPHS Science Teacher

J.1.b.12) Brianne Fiero- 7th Science Teacher

J.1.b.13) Megan Przebienda- 2nd Gd Teacher

J.1.b.14) Sue DeSimpelare-MS Girls' Basketball

J.1.b.15) Sara Green- Freshman Girls' Volleyball

J.1.b.16) Hannah Burns- MS Volleyball Coach

J.1.b.17) Alize' Tripp- Varsity Girls Basketball Asst.

J.1.b.18) Carey Baumgardner- MS Boys' Basketball

J.1.b.19) Derick Ward- MS Girls' Basketball

J.1.c. Contract Non-Renewal

J.1.c.1) Bill Loveday-Technical Services Specialist

J.1.d. Administrator Contract Renewals 26-27

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the contract renewals as presented. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Brent Oliver, 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

It is the recommendation of the Board of Education to extend the Superintendent's contract by 1 year. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by Brent Oliver, 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

J.1.e. WEA Milestone Bonus 25-26 LOA

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the WEA LOA as presented. 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

J.1.f. WESSU Contract

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the WESSU contract 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

J.1.g. Behavior Intervention Support Specialist Position

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the creation of this position as presented. This motion, made by Kacy Cooper 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

J.2. Facilities

J.2.a. Middle School Bleachers

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the bleacher proposal as presented. This motion, made by Gale Easton and seconded by Brent Oliver, 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

J.2.b. Purchase Agreement - Village of Parma

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the purchase agreement as presented. 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

Superintendent Smajda discussed the options available to the district regarding the 3 currently unused elementary buildings.

The village of Parma is interested in Parma Elementary and the property, and has a potential developer.

J.2.c. Warner Elementary School

Superintendent Smajda shared that Spring Arbor Township is interested in Warner Elementary, and there are a few options being investigated for the property.

J.2.d. Bean Elementary School - NEW NAME?

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to change the name of Bean Elementary School to the Bean School. This motion, made by Brent Oliver and seconded by Kacy Cooper, 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

New names were proposed for the former Bean Elementary School, since it will now house Western Career Prep High School as well as various rental spaces. The board took action on the name Bean School, with the potential for revising this name in the future.

J.3. Curriculum

K. Board Reports:

L. Other Business:

L.1. Elementary Handbook

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to approve the elementary student handbook as presented. This motion, made by Kacy Cooper 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

L.2. Overnight Athletic Trips

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

L.2.a. Volleyball Trip

L.2.b. Boys' Tennis Trip

L.2.c. Boys' Soccer Trip

L.2.d. Gymnastics Trip

L.3. July Board Meeting Dates

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to cancel the July 13, 2026 work session and only hold the July 27, 2026 board meeting. This motion, made by Dr. John Sheets 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

The July work session will be cancelled and only one regular board meeting will be held on Monday, July 27, 2026.

M. Closed Session:

None.

N. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51pm.

