

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING (Monday, August 10, 2026)**

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6:00 p.m. 3rd. Floor

35353 Curtis Blvd.

Eastlake, Ohio 44095

As Supplemented by the video recording that can be found [here](#).**1. Introduction****A. Call to Order****B. Roll Call- 6:00 p.m.**

Ms. Gabrielle Miller - Present

Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese- Present

Ms. Denise Verdi - Present

Ms. Jaime Shatsman - Present

Ms. Stacy Menser - Present

**C. Pledge of Allegiance****D. Appoint Treasurer Pro Temp**

A motion was made to appoint Cami Erdani as Treasurer Pro Temp in accordance with ORC 3313.23 with the absence of Treasurer Ciarniello for the August 10, 2026 meeting.

Motion by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Second by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-110 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

**2. Approval of Agenda****A. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made to approve agenda.

Motion by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-111 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

**3. Board Members' Business****A. Delegate Appointment for City of Willoughby Hills Tax Incentive Review Council**

Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Board that the appointed delegate be approved for the Willoughby Hills Tax Incentive Review Council.

Delegate: Treasurer Nicholas Ciarniello

Motion by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-112 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

**B. Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library Trustee Recommendation**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Board, that Ms. Ashley El-Khoury be reappointed to the Library Board of Trustees for a 4 year term, effective September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2030.

Motion by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

|                 |                  |           |              |            |          |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-113 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

Please click [here](#) to view the recommendation letter.**4. Community Engagement****A. Public Comment**

1. James Hughey of Willoughby- Community Meetings on Tax Issues.

## 5. Minutes

### A. Approval of Minutes July 6, 2026

A motion was made to approve the special board meeting minutes of July 6, 2026.

Motion by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

Second by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-114

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the July 6, 2026 Minutes.

### B. Approval of Minutes July 13, 2026

A motion was made to approve the regular board meeting minutes of July 13, 2026.

Motion by Ms. Denise Verdi

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-115

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the July 13, 2026 Minutes.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

### A. Professional Development Stipends Recommendation

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the district will provide professional development stipends to district employees for participation in training sessions for the 2026-2027 school year paid from the Title II-A, Title IV-A, Title I, and School Improvement federal grant funds at a rate of \$24.00 per hour per the WETA Master Agreement. The stipend rate for certified staff who serve as facilitators instructors for training sessions is \$34.00 per hour.

Motion by Ms. Denise Verdi

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-116

Motion Approved      5-0

### B. \* Financial Report for Month Ending July 31, 2026

A motion was made to approve Financial Report for Month Ending July 31, 2026.

Please click [here](#) to view the July 31, 2026 Financials.

### C. \* Return of Advances

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Treasurer that advances totaling \$183,639.77 be returned to the General Fund:

| Fund/SCC | Advance    |
|----------|------------|
| 499-9826 | 117,467.20 |
| 499-9626 | 54,000.00  |
| 499-9226 | 12,172.57  |

### D. \* Athletic Event Worker's Pay Schedule

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the Athletic Event Worker's Pay Schedule be approved:

Please click [here](#) to view the FY27 Athletic Event Worker's Pay Schedule.

### E. \* Purchase Orders

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer the following be approved:

WHEREAS, 5704.41 requires the fiscal officer of a school district certify the amount required to make an expenditure has been lawfully appropriated and is in the school districts treasury, free from any previous encumbrances before the expenditure is made,

WHEREAS, there are exceptions to the requirement, and

WHEREAS, the exceptions are: an invoice that exceeds a p.o. by \$3,000, and then and now certificates over \$3,000;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

To approve the following Then and Now Certificates

| PO #   | Vendor                            | Amount     | Description                                          |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 272425 | Petermann Bus Transportation      | 11,615.52  | June Summer School Transportation                    |
| 272166 | Raptor Technologies               | 11,343.15  | Student Safety Suite Annual License Fee              |
| 272158 | Raptor Technologies               | 15,030.75  | Visitor Annual Access Fee, Sign in License, API Link |
| 272458 | Kone, Inc.                        | 8,283.60   | District Elevator Maintenance                        |
| 272496 | UH Occupational Health            | 7,590.00   | Flu Vaccine Clinic                                   |
| 272335 | Samaritan Fund Program LLC        | 110,000.00 | Contracts                                            |
| 550217 | Active Plumbing Supply            | 6,373.37   | Willowick Middle Hot Water Tank                      |
| 272243 | First American Administrators Inc | 6,648.22   | Employee Vision- Quarter 1                           |

#### F. \* Student Activity Accounts

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the following Student Activity Program Purpose, Goals and Proposed Budgets and Revisions for FY27 be approved:

| Fund/SCC | School | Account Description | Amount   | Comments                                  |
|----------|--------|---------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------|
| 018-9236 | NCIE   | NCI Nursing         | 6,500.00 | New FY27 Budget; New FY27 Purpose & Goals |

Please click [here](#) to view the August 2026 SA.

#### G. \* Gifts and Donations

1. The Playhouse Square Foundation provided a bus subsidy of \$397.00 to 018-9410 Edison (Main) for field trip transportation.
2. The Playhouse Square Foundation provided a bus subsidy of \$397.00 to 018-9410 Edison (Main) for field trip transportation.
3. The Playhouse Square Foundation provided a bus subsidy of \$340.00 to 018-9410 Edison (Main) for field trip transportation.
4. Lakeland Community College donated 57 microscopes, multiple set of anatomy models, 6 glass encased models of the nervous/circulatory system, 1 box of blood pressure cuffs, 1 box of molecular model sets, and several labeled bone sets in black cases to the district. The equipment is valued at \$18,000.00 and will support instruction in the Health Science career-technical education programs and Career Capstones.

### 7. Superintendent - Announcements

#### A. Opening School 2026-2027

Dr. Ward provided an update on preparations for the opening of the 2026-2027 school year. Band camps, fall athletics, freshman orientation, sixth-grade transition activities, kindergarten kickoff activities, and classroom preparations were underway. Custodial staff had completed extensive summer preparations of district facilities, and administrators and teachers were preparing for the start of school.

Students in grades 6-12 are scheduled to begin school on Thursday, August 20, 2026, with elementary students beginning on a staggered Thursday-Friday schedule. Transportation planning was being finalized, with information to be communicated to families. Dr. Ward noted that more than 6,300 students would attend district schools and emphasized the district's commitment to providing individualized, high-quality learning experiences.

Dr. Ward reviewed upcoming community engagement opportunities beginning August 26 and continuing throughout September and October. He also announced the formation of a Consolidation and Rebalancing Task Force to examine declining enrollment, aging facilities, and the district's future operational structure.

#### B. Future Ready Learning Framework Document

Dr. Ward and district staff presented the Future Ready Learning Framework, also referred to as Willoughby-Eastlake Flex Learning, which is designed to define high-quality instruction and the learning experiences students can expect throughout the district. The framework is centered on three commitments:

- Student-Centered Learning through Flex- providing flexible, student-centered learning experiences that recognize individual needs, interests, goals, and student voice while emphasizing hands-on learning exploration.

- Real Skills for Real Life- applying learning to authentic situations, incorporating the district's Portrait of a Graduate competencies, and expanding career-connected learning through career connections, capstone, career-technical education.
- Measure What Matters- using multiple measures, including progress monitoring, student conferences, portfolios, and other assessments, to help students understand their progress and identify areas for growth.

## 8. Superintendent - Resolutions

### A. Future Ready Learning Framework

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the district's Future Ready Learning Framework be approved.

Motion by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-117

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the Future Ready Learning Framework.

### B. Payment agreement - Crossroads Health

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the payment agreement with Crossroads Health for the 2026-2027 school year be approved.

Motion by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Second by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-118

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the 26-27 Crossroads Agreement.

### C. Impact Group Communications Support Proposal

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the Impact Group Communications Support Proposal for August 2026-November 2026 be approved.

Motion by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-119

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the Impact Group Support Proposal.

### D. Consulting Agreement - NextGen Pathways Consulting LLC

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the Consulting Agreement with NextGen Pathways Consulting LLC to provide STEAM and career exploration services, effective August 10, 2026, through June 30, 2027, be approved.

Motion by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-120

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the NextGen Pathways Consulting Agreement.

### E. PowerSchool-Naviance Quote

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the PowerSchool-Naviance quote for the 2026-2027 school year for grade 12, in the amount of \$5,748.43, be approved.

Motion by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

Miller Aye      Osagie-Erese Aye      Verdi Aye      Shatsman Aye      Menser Aye      R-26-121

Motion Approved      5-0

Please click [here](#) to view the Naviance Quote.

### F. YouScience Quote

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the YouScience quote for a 3-year program for college and career readiness for grades 6-12, in the amount of \$71,932.86, be approved.

Motion by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Second by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

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| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-122 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

Please click [here](#) to view the YouScience Quote.

#### **G. MOU - OAPSE 159**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the Memorandum of Agreement between the Willoughby-Eastlake Board of Education and the Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE #159) regarding elementary kitchen managers be approved.

Motion by Ms. Rhonda Osagie-Erese

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-123 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

Please click [here](#) to view the OAPSE 159 MOU.

#### **H. MOU - WECF**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the Memorandum of Agreement between the Willoughby-Eastlake Board of Education and the Willoughby-Eastlake Classified Professionals (WECF) regarding paraprofessionals be approved.

Motion by Ms. Denise Verdi

Second by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-124 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

Please click [here](#) to view the WECF MOU.

#### **I. \* MOU - Cleveland State University**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the Memorandum of Understanding with the Cleveland State University effective August 2026 to August 2030 be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the Cleveland State University MOU.

#### **J. \* Special Service Agreements**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that agreements be entered into with the following organizations to provide special services to students for the 2026-2027 school year: Hogan Transportation and LearnWell.

Please click [here](#) to view the Hogan Transportation Agreement, please click [here](#) to view the Learnwell Agreement.

#### **K. \* 2027-2028 District School Calendar**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the district calendar for the 2027-2028 school year be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the 2027-2028 District School Calendar.

#### **L. \* 2026-2027 School Fees**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, that the fee schedules for the 2026-2027 school year be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the 2026-2027 Elementary School Fees, please click [here](#) to view the 2026-2027 Secondary School Fees.

#### **M. \* Parental Transportation Reimbursement Agreement**

WHEREAS, the student(s) identified below have been determined to be residents of this school district and eligible for transportation services; and WHEREAS, after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these student(s) to their selected schools(s); and WHEREAS, the following factors as identified in Revised Code 3327.02 have been considered: 1. The time and distance required to provide the

transportation 2. The number of pupils to be transported 3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration 4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation 5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules 6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available; and WHEREAS, the option of offering a parental transportation reimbursement agreement is provided; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Willoughby-Eastlake Board of Education hereby approves the agreement to transport the student(s) identified herein and offers the parent(s)/guardian(s) of student(s) named on the attachment, as they become available.

## 9. Personnel Agenda

### A. \* Administrative Personnel

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the Administrative Personnel Agenda be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the Administrative Personnel.

### B. \* Certified Personnel

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the Certified Personnel Agenda be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the Certified Personnel.

### C. \* Classified Personnel

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the Classified Personnel Agenda be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the Classified Personnel.

### D. \* Supplemental Contracts

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer that the Supplemental Contracts be approved.

Please click [here](#) to view the Supplemental Contracts.

## 10. Superintendent - Informational Items

### A. \* First Reading of the Following Policies:

01. Policy [5200](#)- Attendance

## 11. Meeting Notification

### A. \* Meeting Notification

The next regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, 35353 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake, OH 44095.

## 12. Consent Calendar

### A. Adoption of Consent Calendar

Motion by Ms. Jaime Shatsman

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

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|-----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Miller Aye      | Osagie-Erese Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-26-125 |
| Motion Approved |                  |           |              |            | 5-0      |

## 13. Closing

### A. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion by Ms. Gabrielle Miller

Second by Ms. Denise Verdi

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|-----------------|------------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Bair Aye        | Miller Aye | Verdi Aye | Shatsman Aye | Menser Aye | R-25-126 |
| Motion Approved |            |           |              |            | 5-0      |

Adjourned 6:49 p.m.

Treasurer

President