

Board Work Session
Monday, September 14, 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: Present
Brent Oliver: Present
Dr. John Sheets: Present
Taryn Watterson: Present
Present: 7.

A. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by President John Sheets at 6:00 pm.

B. Hearing of Citizens:

Public comment was given by Kimberly Coleman regarding a request for Western Academic Boosters. Some suggestions were given to promote the request.

C. Committee of the Whole:

C.1. Finance

C.1.a. Financial Reports

C.1.b. Check Register

C.1.c. Budgets to Date

C.1.d. Summer 2027 Tax Resolution

An annual resolution is expected from Thrun Law in order to proceed with approval and collect summer taxes. Action at the next regular board meeting is expected.

C.1.e. FY26 Audit Update

An update was provided regarding the audit. Rehman has requested additional documents, but overall the audit is progressing well.

C.2. Facilities

C.3. Personnel

C.3.a. Resignations

C.3.b. Appointments

C.3.b.1) Tori Rodman-Cavender- MS Parapro

C.3.c. Termination of Albert Vince

C.3.d. Position Creation- Director of Facilities and Transportation
Superintendent Mike Smajda explained the concept of the position and its expectations.
Action will be taken at the next board meeting regarding the creation of this job.

C.3.e. CSI Grant Positions (continue & addition)
Director of Programs, Ryan Tripp, shared the status of the grant. Action regarding this grant
will be taken at the next board meeting.

C.4. Curriculum

C.5. Policy

The current policies under review were presented along with the options for each policy
revision.

D. Other Business:

D.1. Chapel Road Property

The question was raised regarding the district's interest in purchasing property on Chapel
Road. There is no current interest.

D.2. WHS Choir Trip

Action will be taken regarding the choir trip at the next regular meeting.

D.3. Special Education Discussion

An update was provided regarding recent conversations that took place among the county
superintendents concerning classroom behaviors.

D.4. JCASB Dinner Meeting - September 29th

D.5. Administrative Leadership Journey - Ryan Tripp

Director of Programs, Ryan Tripp, gave a presentation sharing his administrative leadership
journey and attendance in the SUPES academy program.

D.6. WHS Volunteer Consideration

Bob VanSumeren shared his interest in volunteering to lead an extracurricular club, Discourse
Society, at WHS. Board members asked various questions about the club's vision, meeting
details, etc. Action will be taken at the next regular board meeting.

E. Closed Session:

It is the recommendation of Superintendent Smajda to enter into closed session for the purpose
of discussing contract negotiations. This motion, made by Blaine Goodrich and seconded by
Gale Easton, Passed.

Kacy Cooper: Yea, Gale Easton: Yea, Blaine Goodrich: Yea, Jason Herrington: Yea, Brent
Oliver: Yea, Dr. John Sheets: Yea, Taryn Watterson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

A motion was made by Blaine Goodrich at 7:50 pm to enter into closed session for the purpose
of discussing negotiations. Gale Easton provided a second to the motion and a unanimous show
of hands was provided by all board members. Closed session ended at 8:05 pm.

E.1. Negotiations

F. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dale East".