Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Lakeview School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lakeview School District was held Monday, July 27, 2026 beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lakeview High School Forum, 15060 South Helmer Road, Battle Creek, MI 49015.

I. **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

A. Call to Order
Eric Greene called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
B. Roll Call
Eric Greene, *President – Present*
Aisha Coulson-Walters, *Vice-President – Present*
Jeff Perry, *Treasurer – Absent*
Sara Johnson, *Secretary – Present*
Dr. Michael Glass, *Trustee – Present*
Melissa Metzger, *Trustee – Present*
Angela Myers, *Trustee – Present*
C. Members Absent
Jeff Perry was absent from the meeting.
D. Others Present
Staff and Community members were present at the meeting.
E. Pledge of Allegiance

II. **REVISION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Any revisions to the agenda must be approved before proceeding.
Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approve the agenda as printed.
Aisha Coulson-Walters moved, and Melissa Metzger supported the Lakeview Board of Education's approval of the agenda as printed.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

III. **RECOGNITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM INTERESTED CITIZENS**

A. Board of Education Members
Board members Sara Johnson and Eric Greene recognized Amy Root for her years of dedicated service to the Board of Education and the district.
B. Administration

IV. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A member of the public may address the Board briefly (up to three minutes) or may request to be scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting.

The following person participated in public comment:

- *Amanda Adams, 145 Buckley Ln, commented on the 2026-2027 school calendar.*

V. **SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS**

Approved on: _____
Board Secretary

A. Athletic Program Presentation
Presenter: Shawn Aimesbury
Shawn Aimesbury gave a presentation on the Lakeview Athletic Program, highlighting its mission, current programs, accomplishments, and future goals.
B. Employee Handbook
Presenter: Dr. William Patterson
Dr. Patterson reviewed the employee handbook.
C. Recommended Purchase of mCLASS with DIBELS 8 for grades EK–3
Presenter: Stacy Helmboldt
Stacy Helmboldt recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of mCLASS with DIBELS 8 as its Early Literacy Screener for students in grades EK-3.
D. Professional Development Advisory Committee Recommendation
Presenter: Stacy Helmboldt
Stacy Helmboldt recommended a Professional Development Advisory Committee for the Board's approval so that the district may count a portion of professional development for teachers as hours/days of pupil instruction.
E. School Bond Qualification and Loan Program Annual Repayment Activity Application/Resolution
Presenter: Laura McFadden
Laura McFadden explained the annual process of the School Bond Qualification & Loan Program's Annual Repayment Activity to Board members.
F. Recommended Purchase of Digital Signage for the Elementary Schools
Presenter: Laura McFadden
Laura McFadden recommended to purchase digital signage for each of the four Lakeview elementary schools.
G. Superintendent Goals
Presenter: Dr. William Patterson
Dr. Patterson referenced the Board packet, which included the 2026-2027 Superintendent Goals.
H. Public Input Report
Presenter: Dr. William Patterson
Dr. Patterson addressed the Public Comments from the June 22, 2026, Board meeting.
I. Retirements, Resignations, and Leaves of Absence
Presenter: Dr. William Patterson
Dr. Patterson referenced the resignations and retirements included in the Board packet.

VI. **BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Appointment of Expulsion Committee Members
Eric Greene appointed Aisha Coulson-Walters and Melissa Metzger to serve on the Expulsion Committee.
B. Appointment of Annual Award Nomination Committee Members.
Eric Greene appointed Angela Myers, Sara Johnson, and Dr. Michael Glass to serve on the 2026–2027 Annual Award Nomination Committee.
C. Appointment of CASB Board Representative & Alternate.
Eric Greene appointed Aisha Coulson-Walters to serve as the 2026–2027 CASB Board Representative and Melissa Metzger to serve as the alternate.
D. Appointment of MASB Board Representative & Alternate
Eric Greene appointed Melissa Metzger to serve as the 2026–2027 MASB Board Representative and appointed himself to serve as the alternate.
E. Appointment of LSEF Board Representative
Eric Greene tentatively appointed Angela Myers to serve as the 2026–2027 LSEF Board Representative.

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approved on: _____

Board Secretary

Melissa Metzger moved, and Aisha Coulson-Walters supported the Board of Education's approval of the Consent Agenda as printed.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

A. Approves the June 2026 Expenditures by Fund

B. Approves the June 2026 Financials

C. Approves the June 2026 Food Service Report

D. Approves the June 2026 Bills and Accounts

E. Approves the Minutes of the June 2026 Regular Meeting

F. Approves the Hiring of the Following Professional Staff:

G. Approves the Alternative Student Handbook—2026-2027 School Year

H. Approves the Secondary Student Handbook—2026-2027 School Year

I. Approves the Elementary Student Handbook—2026-2027

J. Approves the Student Code of Conduct—2026-2027 School Year

K. Approves the Athletic Code of Conduct—2026-2027 School Year

L. Approves the Athletic Trainer Agreement—Fourth Amendment

M. Approves the 5/6 Academy Course Description Guide

N. Approves the Instructional Calendar—2026-2027 School Year

O. Approves the Employee Handbook

P. Approves the payment of $400 to those teachers who receive an effective rating on their 2026-2027 Performance Evaluation, Consistent with Section 380.1250 of the Revised School Code and Lakeview School District's Administrative Regulation 4004
Q. Approves participation in the MASB Legal Trust Fund—2026-2027 School Year

R. Approves the Resolution to appoint the Superintendent of Schools as the District Hearing Officer

S. Approves Electronic Fund Transfers and Automated Clearinghouse (ACH) arrangements with vendors for transactions deemed in the district's best interest.
T. Authorizes funding for Board Member Attendance at CASMBA, CBA Level Courses, Legislative, and Other Related Conferences — 2026-2027 School Year
U. Authorizes the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, or Business Manager(s) to act on behalf of the Board Treasurer to Invest Available District Funds in Investment Instruments Permitted by Michigan Public Acts
V. Authorizes the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and/or Designee to serve as a signatory for Direct Transfers of Funds between Accounts for Investment, Payroll, and Accounts Payable Purposes
W. Authorizes the Use of a Facsimile Signature by the Board Treasurer, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, or Board Secretary for Disbursements
X. Authorizes participation in the following Cash Management Investment Alternatives:

- Michigan Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (MClass)
- Bank of New York Mellon

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- Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+)
- Huntington Bank
- PNC Bank
- JPMorgan Chase Bank
- Southern Michigan Bank & Trust (SMBT)

Y. Designates the following 2026-2027 financial institutions as Depositories:

- PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.
- Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+)
- Huntington Bank
- Bank of New York Mellon
- Michigan Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (Michigan Class)
- Southern Michigan Bank & Trust

Z. Designates the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent as Recording Secretary for the Board of Education

AA. Designates the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent as the person responsible for posting Public Notices of all Board meetings

BB. Designates the Director of Student Services & Communications as the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Responder

CC. Designates the Director of Student Services & Communications as the District Title IX Coordinator

DD. Designates the following law firms as Attorneys for the 2026-2027 School Year

- Clark Hill
- Miller Johnson
- Thrun Law Firm, P.C.

VIII. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Approves the Recommended Appointment of the Professional Development Advisory Committee

Melissa Metzger moved, and Sara Johnson supported the recommended appointment of the Professional Development Advisory Committee as presented.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

B. Approves the Application/Resolution for Annual Repayment Activity under the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program

Dr. Michael Glass moved, and Melissa Metzger supported the Application/Resolution for the Annual Repayment Activity under the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

C. Approves the bid from Valley City Sign, in an amount not to exceed $160,000, to be paid from bond funds, for the purchase and installation of digital signage at each elementary school

Melissa Metzger moved, and Angela Myers supported the bid from Valley City Sign for the purchase and installation of digital signage at each elementary school in an amount not to exceed $160,000, to be paid from bond funds.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Approved on: _____

Board Secretary

Motion Carried.

D. Approves the purchase of mCLASS with DIBELS 8 for grades EK–3 for an amount not to exceed $51,100 from a state grant under Section 35m of the School Aid Act and the General Fund Curriculum Budget
Sara Johnson moved, and Dr. Michael Glass supported the purchase of mCLASS with DIBELS 8 for grades EK–3 *for an amount not to exceed $51,100 to be funded through a state grant under Section 35m of the School Aid Act and the General Fund Curriculum Budget.*

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

IX. **ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING — August 24, at 6:00 PM**

A. Expulsion Reinstatement Recommendation

B. Award Nomination Committee Recommendation

X. **REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION**

- Request that the Board of Education go into closed session to discuss negotiations for collective bargaining pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976) that is, "for Board discussion connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement."

It was moved by Melissa Metzger and supported by Angela Myers that the Board of Education go into closed session to discuss negotiations for collective bargaining pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976) that is, "for Board discussion connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement."

Roll Call Vote (Sara Johnson)

Eric Greene- Aye
Aisha Coulson-Walters- Aye
Sara Johnson- Aye
Dr. Michael Glass- Aye
Melissa Metzger- Aye
Angela Myers- Aye

The Board reconvened into an open session at 8:49 p.m.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

Eric Greene adjourned the meeting of the Board of Education at 8:49 p.m.

Approved on: _____

Board Secretary