

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Orion Community Schools, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, was called to order on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: D. Bresett, J. Faber, S. Flaherty, B. McQuiston, H. Sinawi, J. Singer, S. Taylor

Administrators Present: H. Mercer, A. Curtis, D. Towleron, A. Weldon

Others Present: J. Olko, M. Snyder, K. and R. Sliwinski, E. and C. Schmuhl, K. Montei, R. Dawley, A. Kulik, J. Moore, K. Moore, N. Shuler, J. Crissman, J. Hosler, K. Robbins, R. Babich, E. Buxton, M. Cloos, A. Neering, J. Goral

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Sinawi, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes - all; Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING - TRUTH IN BUDGET AND TAXATION HEARING

President Bresett opened the public hearing. Andrea Curtis reviewed the proposed tax levy as follows:

General Fund	18.0 mills (Non-Homestead Only)
Building & Site Sinking Fund	1.8434 mills (All Taxable Values)
Debt Service Fund:	7.000 mills (All Taxable Values)
Estimated Total Tax Levy as of July 1, 2026:	\$40,045,275

The draft estimated revenues and expenditure for the 2026-27 General Fund budget were shared. There was no public participation. President Bresett closed the hearing.

NEW CERTIFIED STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE CANDIDATE INTRODUCTIONS

Adam Weldon introduced Kristin Sliwinski and Erin Schmuhl. Laura Cutrer and Ashley Martin were unable to attend the meeting.

LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS AND COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Mark Snyder shared learning highlights from various programs throughout the district.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There was no participation from the public.

PRESENTATIONS

LOHS Leadership Class Update - M. Cloos and A. Neering discussed fourth quarter committee activities.

End of Year Student Achievement Data - Drew Towleron provided a summary of end of the year academic, social-emotional and attendance data. Overall academic performance is similar to the previous year, with a slight dip from the middle of the year. He also discussed early middle college data.

STRATEGIC AREA DISCUSSION ITEMS

Governance

Superintendent's Update: Heidi Mercer reported that administrators met with PHASES parents and staff to address concerns and provide information on future plans. She discussed the following:

- **Legislative Update:** School superintendents met with legislators in Lansing on June 9 to advocate for having a budget completed by July 1. Legislators are discussing a property tax elimination package of bills that would drastically impact school funding. 31AA funding is also being discussed.
- **Future Bond Planning:** Informational materials are in development for the November 2026 proposal.

Proposed Revisions to OCSBA Bylaws and Resolutions - First Reading: Board members reviewed proposed revisions and expressed concerns regarding both bylaw proposals.

Policy Committee Report: Board members reviewed proposed policy revisions. Concerns were raised about wording in volunteer policy 8120.09. Administration will look at potential revisions prior to second reading.

- **NEOLA 40-2 Policy Updates and Miscellaneous - First Reading:** 0100, 1410, 2370.01, 2417, 2418, 3120.09, 4120.09, 4210, 5136, 5336, 6320, 6325, 7540.09, 8120.09, 8402, 8655, 1613, 3213, 4213, 0155, 0144.3

Student Achievement

Assistant Superintendent Update: There was no update.

Curriculum Committee Report: Danielle Bresett reported the committee met June 5 to review end of year data and discuss the curriculum review process.

Human Resources

Assistant Superintendent Update: Adam Weldon discussed:

- Certified New Hire Recommendations: A recommendation to hire two teachers was reviewed.
- Administrative Recommendations: A recommendation to hire one administrator was reviewed.

Finance and Operations

Assistant Superintendent Update: Andrea Curtis discussed:

- 2025-26 Final Budget Amendment - First Reading: General Fund changes were reviewed.

Revenue	Expenditures	Fund Balance
Net decrease of \$268,675	Net decrease of \$1,057,840	Net increase of \$789,165

- 2026-27 Proposed Budget - First Reading: General Fund projections were reviewed.

Revenue: \$104,240,782	Expenditures: \$103,508,143	Fund Balance: \$13,451,660
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- Tax Rate Levy (L-4029): A summary of the public hearing information was shared.
- District Fees: The Board reviewed the 2026-27 program and rental fees.
- International Academy FY 2027 Budget - Second Reading: The Board reviewed the proposed budget.
- CERC Secure Entry and Multi-Purpose Space Bid Award: The Board reviewed a recommendation to contract with multiple vendors for work at CERC totaling \$369,645.
- Technology Bid Award (Student iPads): The Board reviewed a recommendation to purchase student iPads from Sehi Computer Products totaling \$678,400.

Finance Committee Report: Jake Singer reported the committee met on June 2 to review the FY26 final budget amendment, truth in taxation, FY27 proposed budget and sinking fund.

ACTION ITEMS

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Taylor, to approve the consent agenda items as presented:

- Approve Payment of the May Bills in the Amount of \$10,845,611.96
- Approve Minutes from the May 27 Regular Meeting and Closed Session and June 2, 2026 Finance Committee Meetings
- Out of State/Overnight Field Trip Requests
 - Oakview and Scripps Choirs - Sandusky, OH, September 26, 2026
 - Oakview and Scripps Choirs - New York City, NY, April 22-25, 2027

Ayes - all; Motion carried

Moved by Sinawi, seconded by Faber, to approve two certified new hires as presented. Ayes - all; Motion carried

Moved by Taylor, seconded by McQuiston, to approve appointing Kirstin Sliwinski as the Waldon Middle School Principal, as recommended. Ayes - all; Motion carried

Moved by Sinawi, seconded by Flaherty, to approve the annual Tax Rate Request (Form L-4029) for municipalities as presented.. Ayes - all; Motion carried

Moved by Flaherty, seconded by Sinawi, to adopt the Resolution to Approve the International Academy FY2027 Budget, as presented. Roll call: Ayes-7 (Bresett, Faber, Flaherty, McQuiston, Sinawi, Singer, Taylor); Nays-0; Motion carried

Moved by Singer, seconded by Taylor, to authorize administration to finalize and execute contracts and change orders for the CERC Secure Entry and Mutli-Purpose Space in the amount of \$306,314 with professional services, allowances and contingencies of \$53,331 for a total recommendation of \$369,645. Ayes - all; Motion carried

Moved by Taylor, seconded by Faber, to authorize administration to purchase student iPads from Sehi Computer Products, Inc. not to exceed \$678,400 as presented. Ayes - all; Motion carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR OTHER NON-ACTION ITEMS/TOPICS

There was no participation from the public.

RECAP/NEXT STEPS

- Administration will provide information on:
 - The number of students that have progressed out of urgent intervention identified in SAEBRS
 - The questions asked for SAEBRS
 - Additional detail for chronic absenteeism and potential attendance committee actions
 - Policy revisions for 8120.09 and ability to proceed with second reading with changes
 - Family passes for athletic events
 - Talking points for letters to legislators regarding the school budget

CLOSING COMMENTS: Administrator and Board member items were provided for and so noted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Board Secretary